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## INTENSE DIPLOMATIC ACTIVITY IS NOW PROCEEDING BETWEEN ROME AND BERLIN

### Papal Nuncio Calls At German Foreign Office

COPENHAGEN, Dec. 30 (Reuter)—According to the Berlin correspondent of the newspaper Politiken, the Papal Nuncio at Berlin called at the German Foreign Office six times in the course of the week.

THE CORRESPONDENT ADDED THAT WELL-INFORMED CIRCLES CONNECT THESE CALLS WITH THE INTER-CHANGE OF VISITS BETWEEN POPE PIUS XII AND THE KING OF ITALY.

### Turkish Earthquake Fund

LONDON, Dec. 30 (Reuter)—It is officially announced that the British Government has contributed £25,000 to the Turkish Earthquake Fund.

The French Government has asked the Chamber of Deputies to vote for 5,000,000 francs which is roughly the same amount.

Today's reports show how appalling the need is.

#### MASS EVACUATION

ANKARA, Dec. 30 (Reuter)—The Turkish Government is considering taking the drastic step of mass evacuation of the ravaged areas as the only means of saving survivors. Three trains have got through to the area and one hospital train is on the way back to Ankara.

### EXCHEQUER RETURNS

LONDON, Dec. 31 (B.W.S.)—The Exchequer returns for the last quarter of the financial year ended Dec. 31 show that total ordinary revenue amounts to £544,474,103 compared with £490,435,568 in the corresponding period of the preceding financial year.

Estimate for the whole year was £995,180,000 but in the fourth quarter receipts from inland revenue are always much higher than in the three earlier quarters. In these quarters inland revenue has yielded £212,646,000 against £198,454,000 a year ago and against the estimate for the whole year of £578,750,000.

Total expenditure, less self-balancing items, is £858,835,463 compared with £739,882,332 at the corresponding date last year and with estimated expenditure for the year of £1,430,911,000.

Mr. P. M. Hodgson, the well-known local solicitor, who was taken ill during the Xmas holidays is progressing satisfactorily in the War Memorial Nursing Home.

## French Minister Pays Tribute To Air Supremacy Of Britain On Fronts

LONDON, Dec. 30 (Reuter)—A tribute to Britain's air supremacy on the Western and other fronts is paid by Mr. Vuillemin, the French Minister for Air, in a New Year message of greeting from Reuter's correspondent with the R.A.F.

#### PATROL ACTIVITY

PARIS, Dec. 30 (Reuter)—Saturday morning's French War communiqué states that despite the intense cold there has been much patrol activity between the Moselle and the Saar.

Although aircraft activity increased on Friday no air battles during the day were reported.

A War communiqué states that there were further reduced activity of contact units.

## France Faces New Year In Stronger Military & Economic Position

PARIS, Dec. 30 (Reuter)—The end of 1939 finds France in an immeasurably stronger position than a year ago.

#### FAST FORTIFICATIONS

From a military viewpoint the situation has greatly improved in the last four months, and the Maginot Line is no longer a line, but a vast fortified position.

In the front of the original fortress line there is now a great network of field fortifications and belts of barbed wire, concrete block-houses, anti-tank traps and guns; in fact, another Siegfried Line imposed upon the Maginot Line.

#### WAR FACTORIES

Nearly 1,000,000 men are working in war factories turning out the latest weapons, particularly aerial. In dockyards, work is proceeding on three 35,000-ton battleships.

Gold stocks and foreign exchange are greater than at the beginning of the war due to the great repatriation of capital.

### ANGLO-DUTCH TRADE

THE HAGUE, Dec. 30 (Reuter)—The Anglo-Dutch discussions on trade between the two countries during wartime, which began last month and was postponed, will be resumed in January.

The Trade Delegation is going to London on January 3.

## STRENGTH OF ALLIED HOLDINGS IN FRANCE

LONDON, Dec. 30 (Reuter)—Figures based on the December issue of the Federal Reserve Bulletin show that Britain holds over \$4,000,000,000 in America, compared with between \$2,000,000,000 and \$3,000,000,000 at the beginning of the last war.

French holdings have risen from \$1,200,000,000 to \$3,580,000,000.

#### GERMAN POSITION

The Germans have fallen from over \$1,000,000,000 to less than \$300,000,000.

It is important to remember that the value of the dollar is now lower than before and the "Cash and Carry" system is now in operation.

## CHENG HO ARRIVES IN MANILA

The M/V Cheng Ho arrived safely in Manila at noon on Saturday. Information to this effect reached Mrs. Beatrice Fant, mother of Capt. Fant, skipper of the Cheng Ho, yesterday.

Mrs. Fant, who is resident at No. 38, Hankow Road, Kowloon, received the news by cable. The Cheng Ho, a locally built junk, left Hongkong for Manila at noon on Tuesday. The voyage to the Philippines took four days.

The Cheng Ho, built at Ah King's shipyard is being used by the Botanical Explorations, Inc. for the collection of rare plant life in the East Indies. She carries a crew of nine Europeans and 10 Chinese.

## Five British Gunboats In Hankow

SHANGHAI, Dec. 30 (Reuter)—With the arrival from Hankow today of H.M.S. Peterel five British river gunboats will be concentrated at Shanghai.

They are Scorpion, Gnat, Scarab, Tern and Peterel.

### MINISTERS VISIT THE B.E.F.

LONDON, Dec. 31 (B.W.S.)—Sir Samuel Hoare, accompanied by Lord Hankey, made a tour yesterday of part of the forward zone of the B.E.F.

Heavy snow having fallen in the last few days, many of the troops they saw were wearing greatcoats, leather jerkins, balalaava helmets, leather gauntlets, gumboots and scarves.

The Ministers, who had to travel over difficult roads to visit various sectors, were impressed by the fitness and cheerfulness of the troops.

The Ministers are staying with Lord Gort and will make another tour today.

## Japanese Troops Leave Border

By noon yesterday thousands of Japanese troops, who had been stationed in towns and villages along the border, had left territory bordering the Colony for an undisclosed destination.

This information was confirmed by the Japanese Consul-General and by the Shataukok police from whom it was learned not a single Japanese soldier has been left on the border zone.

The reason given for the withdrawal of the troops by the Japanese authorities is that the operations carried by the troops on the border have achieved their objective and there is no longer any necessity for maintaining a Japanese military force along the border.

The troops were concentrated at Shumchun and then taken to Nam Tai where they were embarked on transports which were waiting for them.

Although their destination has not been disclosed it is believed the troops are being removed to the Canton Hankow Railway where the Japanese have launched an offensive northwards.

#### "OWN INITIATIVE"

SHANGHAI, Dec. 30 (Reuter)—Japanese forces have evacuated Shumchun on the Canton-Kowloon Railway adjacent to the border of the British leased territories.

The Japanese Consul-General at Canton has notified his British colleague of the step "taken out of friendliness towards Britain." The Japanese Army has evacuated Shumchun on its own initiative. However, should the same area be again used by the Chinese as a base against the Japanese for military operations, or should it become the Chinese supply route, the Japanese may re-occupy the area at its own convenience.

Four robbers, one armed with a revolver, held up a woman and a girl on a hillside in Kowloon City on Saturday afternoon and relieved them of \$7.33.

## MOST DECISIVE YEAR IN GERMAN HISTORY

### Hitler's Message To Nazi Party For 1940

BERLIN, Dec. 30 (Reuter)—In addition to his message to the Armed Forces, Herr Hitler sent a long message to the Nazi Party in which he described 1940 as the "most decisive year in German history," after a long historical review of events since he came into power.

The Fuehrer said: "May 1940 bring a decision. Whatever comes, it will be our victory. Whatever sacrifices are demanded from individuals now cannot compare with fate which would threaten the German people if the criminals of Versailles got into power again."

The fame of the German troops and the reputation of our arms have been justified anew."

#### WELL-WORN LINES

PARIS, Dec. 30 (Reuter)—An authoritative statement issued in London observes that Herr Hitler's New Year proclamation follows the well-worn lines of German argument.

In the perpetual search for a new hatred with which to infect the German people, Herr Hitler seems, for the time being, to have returned to the British Empire and the Jews.

Old excuses for Germany's wanton aggression against her neighbours must now be sounding a trifle thin, it declared. Such arguments have already been answered by principal Allied statements.

#### ALLIED CAUSE

The statement added that it suffices to repeat that, until the cause for which the British Empire and France have taken arms has been achieved, they are determined to continue the fight and recent events have borne the impressive testimony to the preparations they are making for an effective prosecution of the war which has been forced upon them.

### TUBERCULOSIS AND WE

FOR THE "DAILY PRESS" VIEW ON THE VITAL PROBLEM OF HELPING THE MEDICAL DEPARTMENT IN COMBATING THE SCOURGE OF T. B. IN HONGKONG SEE OUR LEADING ARTICLE ON PAGE 8.

## CAUSEWAY BAY CAR CRASH

### 2 Europeans Injured

A serious early morning car smash in Causeway Bay yesterday, resulting in a brand new Studebaker being badly battered in and equally extensive damage to a Buick, including the breaking of the steering wheel, was fortunately not attended by any great injury to the passengers.

The accident occurred near the Causeway Bay tram terminus at 3.20 a.m.

In his report to the police, Commander A. F. Tocher, residing at No. 11 Stanley Terrace, Quarry Bay, said he was driving his Buick, No. 2012 from west to east, when car No. 2011 approached in the opposite direction, travelling on the wrong side of the road.

He applied his brakes and swerved to the left, but was unable to avoid a collision. The steering wheel of his car snapped and he lost control.

#### SLIGHT INJURIES

Commander and Mrs. E. C. Higg, who were passengers in the car, suffered slight injuries, the former, hurting his right knee and the lady receiving a cut on the forehead from the glass splinters.

The Studebaker was driven at the time by its owner, Mr. Chan Chung-tung, manager of the World Theatre and a member of the Police Reserve. Neither he nor his two passengers were injured.

The two vehicles were later towed to the Tak Cheong Repair Shop behind the Leg Theatre.

It is understood that both cars are insured.

## NEW YEAR MESSAGE BY H.E. THE GOVERNOR

The New Year dawns in the early months of another Great War, a war which we British and our French Allies have taken upon ourselves so that the just and secure peace of which His Majesty the King spoke so nobly on Christmas Day may reign in the world. It may well be that before it is won that war will continue for as many years as it has as yet seen months; but won it must be, whatever the cost of life and wealth and comfort; for until the victory for peace, freedom and justice has been gained, war, or the prospect of war will continue to govern our lives.

In that cause then we must withhold nothing in order that, again to quote the King, 'freedom of spirit may be saved to the world'. Only with our hearts so set shall we be able to achieve really and fully the sincere wish which I venture to send to all in the Colony this morning, "A Happy New Year."

G. A. S. NORTHCOOTE Governor.

January 1, 1940.

## JAPANESE COUNTER-DRIVE REPULSED IN C. HUPEH: CHINESE KIANGSI ADVANCE

SHANGHAI, Dec. 30 (Central)—A Japanese counter-drive, supported by aerial bombardments, on the Kiangnan-Chungshiang highway, in Central Hupeh, has been repulsed. With the arrival of over 5,000 reinforcements, provided with more than 30 tanks and a number of artillery pieces, the Japanese commenced the counter-offensive Wednesday morning.

Fighting raged till Thursday night when the Japanese were defeated. A part of them fled in the direction of Yangtze, north-east of Chungshiang.

Some 2,000 Japanese are estimated to have been killed in action on the Huangshihai sector, near Chungshiang, in the series of engagements there. The Japanese commanding officer, Shibata, is reported to be among those killed.

#### CHINESE ATTACK

CHANGSHA, Dec. 31 (Central)—Over 600 Japanese casualties were inflicted during fighting at Shatang and Tschukukang, two points between Tungcheng and Tashaping, in South Hupeh, on Dec. 28. Both places were recaptured by the Chinese.

After the occupation of several strategic heights in the outskirts, the Chinese are intensifying their attack on Tungcheng. A part of the Japanese there have withdrawn to Nanlinchiao, 22 miles south of Shatang and eight miles southwest of Tungshan.

#### IN KIANGSI

SIJUHUI, KIANGSI, Dec. 30 (Central)—Chinese troops attacked Anyi, about 20 miles north-west of Nanchang, from several directions on Dec. 27.

Fighting lasted till the following morning. Over 400 Japanese were killed in the outskirts and nine heavy and light machine-guns were seized. The highway between Anyi and Chienchow was destroyed at ten points. A part of the Japanese fled to Changkungtu on the Siu River.

Clashes also took place to the south-east, west and south of Fengshan, 23 miles west of Nanchang, on Dec. 28. At least 600 Japanese were slain in action.

#### SINYANG ATTACKED

NANYANG, HONAN, Dec. 31 (Central)—Increasing Chinese pressure is being exerted upon Sinyang, on the Peiping-Hankow Railway in south Honan.

Another strategic point, Shantung, north of Sinyang, was recaptured. The Japanese launched several counter-attacks without avail.

#### JAPANESE RETREAT

SHUOHING, Dec. 31 (Central)—With their advance checked, the Japanese at Samkung and Lungchuan have retreated to Mukchow in the 16th County of Sanwui Hsien. The Chinese are now pressing on there.

#### PLANES SHOT DOWN

CHUNGKING, Dec. 31 (Central)—It is officially announced that during the air battle over an undisclosed place on the Kiangsi front, on the morning of Dec. 27,

ABOUT YOUR EYES  
A Word to the Wise is Sufficient  
When you trust your eyesight to a pair of eyes that are old and tired, it is of course a very bad thing. Our charges are reasonable and complete. We are qualified, optometrists, at home. We could sacrifice quality for cheapness but that is not our policy. Only the very best is good enough for your eyes.  
Safeguard Your Eyes by Consulting  
**Sazapus**  
OPTICIAN

## Nazi Steel King's Arrest Ordered

### WROTE HITLER A STINGING NOTE

BERLIN, Dec. 30 (Reuter)—The German Police yesterday placed an international warrant for the arrest of Fritz Thyssen, the German Steel King, who is believed to finance the putsch which would bring Hitler into power.

Herr Thyssen recently wrote many and on his departure from Berlin, a stinging note to Hitler, he had supported the putsch in order to combat Bolshevism and make friends with it.

The international charges Thyssen with not having paid taxes and with contempt of the German currency regulations.

Herr Thyssen has been in Zurich for some time past, but he has suddenly left for Portugal.

### GERMAN SHIP HELD UP

LONDON, Dec. 30 (Reuter)—Many German ships carrying cargoes of foodstuffs and raw materials to Germany were held up in Hungarian harbours, according to a Budapest report quoted by the French Radio.

Navigation on the Danube has stopped owing to ice.



# In the World of Sports

## SOCCER SEASON WILL HAVE GOOD SEND-OFF

### Big Charity Attraction This Afternoon: Lee And A. V. Gosano In Rest Team

(BY "PILAT")

FOOTBALL IN 1940 WILL BE GIVEN A GOOD SEND-OFF this afternoon when the Rest of the Colony meet the United Services in a charity game on the Causeway Bay ground at 3.45 p.m., in aid of the B.W.O.F.

A big crowd is assured, as, apart from the fact that a good match is promised, soccer fans will also be afforded the all-too-rare treat of seeing Lee Wai-tung and A.V. Gosano, the two Colony soccer "idols" together in the forward line.

The Rest have a strong team from the Middlesex, Layl, who is and should come out the winners. With Cheung Wing-choi in goal, parative newcomer to Colony soccer, and Lee Tin-sang and Blackburn in front of him, the Rest are safe as far as their defence is concerned.

Forrow, who will be the pivot, is playing in his first representative game this season and will be flanked by two of the finest wing-halves in the Colony, Leung Wing-chiu and Hsu King-sing.

The forwards are the same which defeated Manila in the Interport in February, by four goals to one and comprise F. Fowler, Fung King-cheong, Lee Wai-tung, A.V. Gosano and Hau Ching-to.

#### THE SERVICES

The Services have also chosen a fairly strong eleven and if the selected players can reveal the form on the strength of which they were chosen they are expected to run the Rest to a close finish—probably by the odd goal.

Robinson has been preferred to Duncan to do duty between the sticks, while Hill and Sheehan should form a reliable pair of backs.

The whole intermediate line, with the exception of Bright, is

#### THE TEAMS

The following are the teams:—

**REST:** Cheung Wing-choi; Lee Tin-sang, Blackburn; Leung Wing-chiu, Forrow, Hsu King-sing; Fowler, Fung King-cheong, Lee Wai-tung, A.V. Gosano and Hau Ching-to.

**Reserves:** Ulrich, E. Strange, Maxwell, Chan Tak-fai and Cdeuk Shek-kam.

**UNITED SERVICES:** Robinson, Hill, Sheehan; Freshwater, Layl, Wilkinson; Phippens, Thorburn, Hossack, Saw and Duffield.

**Reserves:** Moxham, Hendy, Rides and Pearson.

## SATURDAY'S SOCCER:

### THREE GOOD GAMES IN SENIOR SHIELD

### Kowloon's Gallant Display Against South China "B"

In a lively and highly interesting game South China "A" eliminated Kwong Wah in the Senior Shield Football Competition by defeating the latter to the tune of five goals to two after a one-all first half on Saturday.

Although South China dominated play most of the time, the Kwong Wah forwards repeatedly got away and stormed the opposite goal.

#### OUTSTANDING PLAYER

The outstanding player was Lai Shui-wing, who scored three goals for South China and fed Lee Wai Tong, thus enabling the latter to score the other two. Wong King-cheong and Chin Chin-wing were the scorers for Kwong Wah.

## SPORTING EVENTS

#### AVIATION

February 9—Alexander Henshaw made record flight to the Cape and back in 4 days 10 hours 16 minutes.

August 27—First trans-Atlantic flight of Imperial Airways' Caribou.

#### RACING

May 24—Derby won by Lord Rosebery's Blue Peter.

June 15—Ascot Gold Cup won by Lord Milford's Flyer.

#### TENNIS

July 9—All five championships at Wimbledon Law Tennis won by Americans.

Davis Cup won by Australia.

#### CRICKET

Country championship won by Yorkshire for third successive year. Team from West Indies toured England, played three Test matches, one of which was won by England, other two left drawn.

#### GOLF

Amateur championship won by Alex. Kyle.

Open championship won by R. Burton.

Ladies' championship won by Miss Pam Barton.

South China "A" have held the Senior Shield for the last four years in succession and show every promise of coming out top in the competition this year again.

### S. CHINA "B" BEAT KOWLOON F.C.

Playing only nine men for the major part of the game, Ulrich and Jorge having been injured early in the play, Kowloon extended South China "B" although they lost to the Chinese by the odd goal in three, in the first round of the Senior Shield Soccer.

The Chinese were not playing as well as they were expected to. The score was blank at half-time. Soon after the re-start Yeung Shui-yick scored the first goal to put the Chinese in the lead. White equalised for Kowloon and five minutes later Chan Tak-fai netted the winner for the Chinese.

### ROYAL SCOTS HELD TO A DRAW

In the third Senior Soccer Shield match played on Saturday The Club drew with the Royal Scots in a three-all game. Play was very fast and interesting from start to finish with both sides trying their best throughout. Fowler scored the first when he netted for the Club from a pass. McDonald equalised for the Royal Scots from a pass off Hossack who netted the second for the soldiers who were leading at the interval. Pryde equalised for the Club and soon after Munro put the soldiers in the lead when Fowler breasted the ball into the net to put the Club level.

### JUNIOR SHIELD

In the Junior Shield Police beat South China "B" by three to one, the 24th Heavy Battery drew with Kowloon in a two-all game and the 8th Heavy Regt. defeated the R.A.F. by four to one. The R.A.M.C. and International also finished a

## Tournament Hockey

### RADIO DEFEAT SAPPERS

Royal Engineers dropped both points to the Radio and Postal Sports Club in the Hockey Association Tournament match played at Sookunpoo yesterday. The Sappers started off at a fast pace that they kept up for only the first 20 minutes. Sappers lost by the odd goal in five.

This first 15 minutes of play saw a series of raids by the Sappers on the Radio goal, Homburg and Fox being the most dangerous of the attackers. The former played an excellent game throughout. Fox started brilliantly, and his fast and accurate work at left wing was a treat to watch.

Sappers took the lead by a goal from Fox, netted from a difficult angle after a melee in front of goal had sent the ball out to the wing. The Sappers kept up the pressure on their opponents' defence for some minutes more, and it was in the main the good work of Guest and Carter in the defence that kept down the score.

#### BRILLIANT GOAL

In the closing minutes of the first half it was quite apparent the Sappers were tiring, and a Radio raid with some eight minutes to go brought the equaliser, a brilliant goal by Gurbachan Singh.

The score at the interval was one-all. The rest seemed to bring new life into the Engineers, and they started off again at a good pace. This time they tired after about a dozen minutes, and in due course a second goal came for Radio, G. Singh being awarded a goal though he appeared to be off-side.

At this stage the Sappers were already beaten, and the third goal came from Karimdar Singh, who had anticipated well and brought the ball in himself from the wing. Sappers renewed the offensive, though play had by now become rather ragged. The last goal was scored a second before the full time whistle, Homburg netting. The teams were:

**Radio:** U.B. Souza; A.E.P. Guest, J.S. Gravel; Carter, M.H. Hassan, Rajputana Rifles in a friendly and Gurdaraj Singh; K. Singh, G. Singh, A. Singh, Jagjit Singh, and Jangar Singh.

**R.E.:** L/S. Dobson; Lt. Russel.

## CAER CLARK AND BRAWN CUP HOCKEY

### "RECREIO LADIES" BEATEN

Central British School scored their first two points in the Caer Clark Cup when they defeated Recreio Ladies, by three goals to two, in a match played on the School ground on Saturday.

Miss J. Moss, Miss Bradbury and Miss E. Watson netted for the School, while Miss A. Alves scored both goals for Recreio.

#### BRAWN CUP

Recreio Ladies upset the Central British School in the Brawn Cup match on Saturday, winning by four clear goals. Miss M. Campos, Miss N. Gonsalves, Miss Figueredo, and Miss I. Rozario scored the goals.

The Argonauts won top place in the league table by defeating "Ladies 1-0 in the Brawn Cup match played on the "Y" ground. The goal was netted by Miss I. Mathias.

The Diocesan Girls' School beat St. Andrew's Ladies by three goals to one in a Brawn Cup match played at King's Park. Miss E. Churn scored all three goals for D.G.S. Miss E. Banker netted for St. Andrew's.

L/S. Goodwin; Cpl. Bowling, Sgt. Croston, and Spr. Marriott; L/c. Singleton, Sgt. Denyer, L/S. Homburg, Spr. Heath, and Spr. Fox.

#### WIN FOR NOMADS

The Khalsa Sikh Dhivan were nicely upset by the Nomads in a friendly hockey match played at the Radio ground on Saturday, a scratch Nomads Hockey Club team winning by a good margin of eight goals to two.

Nomads led 3-0 at the interval. The goals for the winners were, scored by R. J. Reed (3), B. Xavier (2), J.H. Franco (2) and H. Gubbay. The first goal for Khalsa was deflected into the net by a Nomads defender. The second goal was netted by Awtar Singh.

#### Y.M.C.A. BEATEN

Y.M.C.A. were beaten 3-0 by the Rajputana Rifles in a friendly hockey match played at King's Park on Saturday. Lt. Sawal Khan, Takhat Singh and Datta Ram netted the goals.

## TRAINING GALLOPS

The following times were recorded at the Happy Valley training gallops on December 30, 1939.

	Dis- tance	1st Qr.	2nd Qr.	3rd Qr.	4th Qr.	5th Qr.	Last Qr.
Albury (A) .....	35	1.10	1.41.3				31.3
Sparrow (A) .....	33.3	1.01.3	1.19.3				28
Sapper (A) .....	37	1.08.2	1.40.2				32
Flying Dutchman (A) .....	30.3	58.2	1.28	1.58.2			30.2
Australian Prince (A) .....	34.1	1.07	1.38.3				29.3
Australian Diamond (A) .....							
and Falz Chance (A) .....	43	1.20	1.57.3	2.32	2.59.4	27.4	
Kut Cheong .....	39	1.17	1.55	2.31		35	
Australian Pony No. 9 (A) & Australian Pony No. 20 (A) .....	37.1	1.09.3	1.37.2			27.4	
Princess Clara (A) .....	35	1.05.4	1.33			27.1	
Grand Allegiance (A) .....	39	1.13.3	1.43.2	2.11.3		28.1	
Contact (A) .....	36	1.10.2	1.45.1	2.15.3		30.2	
Castlemaine (A) and Piccadilly Jim (A) .....	41	1.13	1.44	2.15		31	
Snowy River .....	37	1.08.3	1.36.3			28	
Jungle Princess (A) .....	29.2	59.3	1.30			30.2	
Forehand Drive (A) .....	36	1.09.3	1.40.3			31	
T. K. L.'s Griffin No. 47 (G) & T. K. L.'s Griffin No. 48 (G) .....	38.2	1.15	1.48.1			33.1	
Advancing Time .....	35	1.09	1.42.2			33.2	
Phoenix .....	40	1.17.3	1.52			34.2	
Griffin No. 22 (G) .....	41	1.18.1	1.53.3	2.24.3		31	
Possible (G) .....	40	1.17.2	1.52.2	2.22.2		30	
Cire (A) .....	36	1.10.2	1.45.1	2.15.3		30.2	
Franklin (A) .....	32.4	1.05	1.33			28	
Radon (A) and Income Tax (A) .....	45	1.31	2.02	2.30.2		28.2	
Cairnoul (A), Australian Pony No. 5 (A) and Australian Pony No. 25 (A) .....	40	1.14	1.47.3	2.17.2		29.4	
Par View (A) .....	32.4	1.03.3	1.31.4			27.1	
Amicus Curiae (A) .....	40.1	1.02.2	1.30.2			28	
Many Thanks (A) .....	40	1.17.2	1.51.2	2.24.3		33.1	
Rowan (A) .....	42.2	1.24	2.04			40	
Bradbury's Grey Griffin (G) .....	39	1.18	1.54	2.29	3.01	32	
Shuttlecock (A) .....	34	1.05.4	1.35.3			29.4	
Sealy (A) and Nancy Lee (A) .....	39	1.13.3	1.45	2.14.2		29.4	
Perola D'Oriente (A) .....	40.4	1.17.3	1.47			29.2	
Viceroy (A) & Kitti .....	37.3	1.13.3	1.48.1	2.20.4	2.49.3	28.4	

drawn game, sharing two goals. In the Third Division Soccer while the 30th Heavy Battery League the Kumona lost to the trounced the Club by eight goals Royal Scots by the odd goal in three.

## JOCKEY CLUB CLASSIFICATION ON DEC. 31, 1939

The Hongkong Jockey Club classification on December 31, 1939, is as follows:—

#### AUSTRALIAN PONIES

"A" Class:—A Grand Time, A Great T. M. Ballin Bay, Chiltern, Cocklerot, Courtage Eve, Crifel, Devonian, Double Finesse, Lancashire Chips, Lucky Lad, Strathroy, Tornado Star, Triumphant Day, Viven Tor, Wintred.

"B" Class:—Ajax, Annabella, A Roaring Time, Atlas, Blandford, Eredon, Candelight, Centre Court, Derby Day, Happy Landings, Janber, King's Privilege, Murrumbidgee, National Victory, Pumpernickel, Rising Star, Rivulet, Roddy, Snowy River, Southern Star, Sydney Lad, Victory Day.

"C" Class:—Amber II, Artec, Balatoc, Bruno, Brutus, Cairnsmore, Dick Turpin, Discovery Bay, Helms, Helium, Loquacious, Macquarie River, Murray River, Perfect Day, Poconos, Ruby Star, Scarlett O'Hara, Schmetterling, Strathcarick, Tarzan, Twilight Star, Violet Queen, Zodiac.

#### CHINA PONIES

"A" Class:—Confusion Bay, Desert Chief, Eve of Harvest, Hapov Eve, Navylight, Rose Elect. "B" Class:—Avon, Bear Claw, Blue Diamond, Blue Express, Conquering Time, English Cavalier, Eve of Heaven, Expansion Time, Galaxy, Gladiator, Half-Moon Eve, Hectic View, Honeymoon Eve, Humdrum Eve, Hyndford Bridge, Jennifer, Jobber, Just In Time, King Kong, King's Warden, Lancashire Lass, Lilliber, Moonlight View, Musketeer, New Star, Oak Bay, Peaceful View, Pinfarthines, Potentate, Red Feather, Rob Roy, Rose Emily, Rose Evelyn, Rose Flana, Rose Jane, Royal Scot, Taxing Master.

"C" Class:—Advancing Time, Annas Bay, Booleat Bay, Celtic Star, Clowney, Commencement Bay, Dawn Star, Factorie, Flyby Day, Forgotten Star, Galveston Bay, Guinness Time, Lady Love, Laughing Girl, Lovely Star, Markman, National Defence, National Pride, Romeo, Rose-Queen, Royal Highness, Salvage Master, Scenic View, Smiling Thru, Soldier of Britain, Soldier of China, Strathannock, Sunlight View, Sylvandale, Tampa Bay, Tim.

"D" Class:—Ascot Vale, Bistre, Bressay, Chatterbox, Dekko, Desert Star, Double Chance, Ebony Idol, Emergency Call, Eslover, February Fourth, Fel Ying, Gold Coin, Golden Cow, Gold Sovereign, Good Morning, Jack O'Lantern, Kut Cheung, Lancashire Chap, Magog, Matador, Meteor, National Guard, National Liberty, National Service, Night View, Orange Boven, Phoenix, Plot Hein, Plain View, Popular Star, Portrush, Radium Star, Shipmaster, Silver Star, Smiling Time, Some Hope, Starlet, Sunshine Susie, Talkative, The Leopard, The Tigress, This Time, Tiny Tim, Wenning, West Lake, Wilber, Wild Bear, Wild Cat, Wilyrilly, Zero.

"E" Class:—Arabian Cat, Black Diamond, Black Monday, Blaisdon, Bogey, Charybdis, Coronation Day, Cuban Love, Dark Hazard, Diogenes, Dow-Jones, Dragonfly, Gallant Marshal, Geordie, Gog, Gold Tower, Green Bay, Haddon, Harlot, King's Envoy, King's Parade, King's Worthy, Lucky Eleven, Mac's Adventure, March Brown, National Anthem, National Dignity, National Honour, Old Fashioned, Opening Batsman, Pall Mall, Palmer, Rose Day, Sports Venture, Tabby Cat, Tempest, The Buccaneer, The Mermaid, The Minx, The Spirit of St. Louis, Tiger Eyes, Tribute, True Love, Valorous.

## SPORTING FIXTURES TODAY

FOOTBALL—Match in aid of British War Organisation Fund: Combined Services v. Rest of Civilian's Causeway Bay, 4 p.m. HUNTING—Fanling Hunt Meets, Fanling Lodge.

## TOMORROW

BRIDGE—Y. M. C. A. Bridge Class, 10 a.m. RUGBY—Army League; Royal Engineers v. 5th A. A. Regt. (Sookunpoo), 4 p.m.

## WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 3

BADMINTON—Y. M. C. A. Badminton, in the West Lounge.

## Navy Defeats Club In The Triangular Rugby Tournament

### POSITIONS IN TOURNEY

The Club is now leading in the Triangular Rugby Tournament with 47 points for and 35 points against, having played four games and lost only one.

The Army is second with 23 points for, and 25 against, having lost two out of three games.

The Navy, also having lost two out of three games, have 27 points for, and 42 against.

### GOOD GAME AT THE VALLEY

In the Triangular Rugby Tournament, the Navy defeated the Club by a goal, a penalty goal and two tries (14 points) to a penalty goal (3 points), at the Valley on Saturday.

#### BEST FORM

The Navy was in their best form, and their forwards were largely responsible for the Club's defeat. They gave a rousing display in the loose and holding a heavier eight in the tight, enabled Brown to beat Castleton for the ball twice out of every three times.

On the other hand, only the stubborn resistance of Club side prevented their opponents from winning by a wider margin.

#### THE TEAMS

The teams were:—  
Navy—Lt. Bax; Tel. Bowden, Tel. Paul, Pay-Lt. Stevens and Mr. Drury; Lt. Carter and Lt. Comdr. Clark; L.S.A. Palmer, Lt. (E.) Brown, Ldg. Wtr. Barlow; Chief Wtr. King, Ldg. Wtr. Ferris; Sub-Lt. Pearce, Pay-Lt. Charles and Capt. McCann.

Club—F. M. Thompson; D. H. Stewart, J. Hutchison, J. C. Charter and D. I. Bosanquet; J. M. Thomson and J. R. Henderson; A. F. Walkden, R. G. Castleton, P. F. Wanklyn; B. O'M. Deane, A. J. G. Taylor and G. B. Godfrey.

In a friendly game of rugby on Saturday the Durham Light Infantry easily defeated the Club "A" by three goals and three tries (24 points) to three tries (nine points) after being level six-all at the interval.

The Durhams have a very fit and fast team and they are likely to do well in inter-regimental tournaments in Hongkong.

## SATURDAY'S YACHTING

### SWEEPSTAKE RACE RESULT

The Sweepstake Race held by the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club on Saturday resulted in wins for Artemis (Mr. T. C. Fairburn) in the "A" Class and Owl (Mr. G. L. Eastgate) in the Mixed Classes. Detailed results follow:—

#### STARTED 1440

Yacht	Finished	Pos.
Artemis .....	180615	1
(Mr. T. C. Fairburn)		
La Linda .....	180634	2
(Mrs. M. I. Johnston)		
Jans .....	180801	3
(Mr. C. H. MacMillan)		
Guri .....	180914	4
(Mr. S. K. Heiberg)		
Painted Lady .....	180926	5
(Dr. Dean-Smith)		
Redshank .....	180941	6
(Lt. M. Millworth, R.N.)		
Jean .....	181050	7
(Capt. G. E. Neme)		
True Blue .....	181056	8
(Mr. A. Gerner)		
Eve .....	181132	9
(Col. G. Alley)		

#### MIXED CLASSES

Owl .....	182600	181055	1	(Mr. H. Browne).
(Mr. G. L. Eastgate)				
Alla .....	182135	181205	2	Nannette .....
(Mr. W. A. Hyman)				182222 181745 5
Zephyr .....	182345	181308	3	(Mr. W. H. Johnson).
(Capt. Irovy)				
Wendy .....	182822	181318	4	Slekin .....
				DNF
				(Mr. D. Allen).
				Colleen .....
				DNF
				(Rev. E. D. A. Staunton).

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## COMING EVENTS

JAN.  
1—New Year's Day.  
Tides: High 12.50 a.m. and 2.33 p.m. Low 7.44 a.m. and 7.24 p.m.  
Sunrise: 7.03 a.m.; Sunset: 5.49 p.m.  
Registration of Premises for sale of poisons due.  
Arms Licences due for renewal.  
Renewals of Licences and Permits due.  
Fanning Hunt Meeting: "At Home" by H.E. the Governor at Fanning Lodge, 2.45 p.m.  
Police Recreation Club, Children's Sports and Christmas Party.  
Kowloon Cricket Club — Children's Sports.  
Chinese Chamber of Commerce Meeting, 10 a.m.  
Y.M.C.A. Whist Drive, 8.30 p.m.  
Navy Ground Soccer—United Services v. Rest of Colony, 4 p.m.  
Opening of St. Andrew's Winter Food Relief Kitchen, at All Saints' Church, Kowloon, 4.30 p.m.  
New Year Happy Gathering of Amateur Sporting Assn. 3rd, Prince Edward Road, noon to 3 p.m.  
Military Police Mess, Whist Drive, 9 p.m.  
2—Tides: High 1.58 a.m. and 3.32 p.m. Low 4.31 a.m. and 9.09 p.m.  
Sunrise: 7.03 a.m.; Sunset: 5.49 p.m.  
H.K. Rotary Club Tiffin Mtg., 11 a.m.  
Speaker—Mr. J. C. Hutchinson.  
H.E. the Governor and Lady Northcote return to Government House from Fanning.  
St. Stephen's Preparatory School and College, Stanley, Reception, 3 p.m.  
Y.M.C.A. Bridge Class, 10 a.m.  
3—Tides: High 3.21 a.m. and 4.30 p.m. Low 9.25 a.m. and 11.10 p.m.  
Sunrise: 7.03 a.m.; Sunset: 5.49 p.m.  
H.K.R.A. Shoot.  
Y.M.C.A. Badminton.  
Ladies Working Party (B.W.O.F.), at Govt. House.  
4—Tides: High 4.55 a.m. and 5.26 p.m. Low 10.17 a.m.  
Sunrise: 7.04 a.m.; Sunset: 5.49 p.m.  
Auxiliary Nursing Service.  
First Aid Lectures, Commence at Royal Naval Hospital, 8 p.m.  
Asia Land, Ltd., 8th Annual Meeting, Mercantile Bank Buildings, 12.30 p.m.  
Y.M.C.A. Games Morning, 10 a.m.  
"Loloma" Kindergarten School re-opens.  
St. Andrew's Women's Fellowship New Year's Party, 2.30 p.m.  
5—Tides: High 6.33 a.m. and 6.19 p.m. Low 12.37 a.m. and 11.12 a.m.  
Sunrise: 7.04 a.m.; Sunset: 5.49 p.m.  
Claims against estate of Bernard Ernest Abbott due.  
Y.M.C.A. Badminton.  
H.K. Chinese Women's Club Dinner in honour of Dr. Robert Lim, Chinese Merchants' Club, 7.30 p.m.  
6—Second Round of Stubbs Shield Golf Competition due to be completed.  
Claims against estate of Marion Gluehrst Hoerler due.  
H.E. the Governor and Lady Northcote leave for Fanning Lodge.  
New Territories Agricultural Exhibition at Fanning.  
H.K.R.A. Shoot.  
7—New Territories Agricultural Exhibition at Fanning.  
8—Universal Week of Prayer Commences Daily Services at St. John's Cathedral, 5.30 p.m.  
Auxiliary Nursing Service — Home Nursing Lectures, Commence at Queen Mary Hospital, 6 p.m.  
H.K.R.A. Council Meeting, 5.30 p.m.  
9—Entries close for Colony Chess Championship.  
Entries close for Fanning Races, 12 noon.  
H.K. Rotary Club Tiffin Mtg., 1 p.m.  
10—King's Theatre—Dancing Display, 5.10 p.m.  
H.K.R.A. Shoot.  
11—King's Theatre: Dancing Display, 5.10 p.m.  
12—H.K.R.A. Shoot.  
13—H.K.R.A. Shoot.  
14—Semi-final of G. M. Young Golf Cup due for completion.  
Macao Races.  
17—H.K.R.A. Shoot.  
19—Central British Assn. Dance.  
20—H.K.R.A. Shoot.  
R.E.O.C.A. Supper Dance.  
21—Fanning Hunt and Race Club, Kwant Races.  
22—First H.K.V.D.C. Camp Starts at Fanning.  
24—H.K.R.A. Shoot.  
27—Third Round of Stubbs Shield Golf Competition due to be completed.  
H.K.R.A. Shoot.  
28—H.K. Riding School Gymkhana, 10 a.m.  
H.K.R.A. Shoot.  
30—Second H.K.V.D.C. Camp Starts at Fanning.  
31—H.K.R.A. Shoot.

## Radio Programmes

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Variety Programmes.

12.15 p.m. Short Service of Intercession.

12.30 p.m. Band of H.M. Coldstream Guards.

"The Mikado"—Selection (Sullivan); "Dorothy"—Selection (Cellier); Colonel Boney—March (Alford).

12.50 p.m. Chorus.

Johnny Come Down to Hilo; The Hog's Eye Man (Terry); Were All Bound to Go (Terry)—Raymond Newell and Chorus with Piano.

Down in Demerara (Trad.)—Raymond Newell and the B.B.C. Male Chorus with Ernest Lush at the Piano.

1 p.m. Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 p.m. Marek Weber & His Orchestra with Webster Booth (Tenor).

The Caravan (Characteristic Sketch—Bayer); The Coolies of Sumatra (Jesse)—Marek Weber & His Orchestra.

Roscoe (Hum. Rhythmic Symphonic)—Webster Booth (Tenor) with Orchestra. Indra Waltz (Operette) in the Realm of Indra—Lincke; Love's Dream After The Ball (Czibuka).

Marek Weber & His Orchestra. Indra Waltz (Operette) in the Realm of Indra—Lincke; Love's Dream After The Ball (Czibuka)—Marek Weber & His Orchestra. Love Passes By (Jain Let's live tonight!); As I Sit Here (Sanderson)—Webster Booth (Tenor) with Orchestra. You Shall Be The King Of My Heart (Stolz); Entry of the Spring Flowers (Kockert)—Marek Weber & His Orchestra.

1.30 p.m. Reuter and Rugby Press. Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.45 p.m. Variety with Arthur Askey, Patricia Rossborough, Cicely Courtneidge and Others.

Vocal—The Cuckoo (Soplin); All To Specification (Wilcock & Rutherford); Arthur Askey with small Orchestra.

Piano—Ruth Egan (Soprano); The Donkey Serenade (film, "Freddy"); Patricia Rossborough. Vocal—Billy Merson. Memories; Intro: Signora; A Prairie Life for Me; On the Good Ship Yacki Doola; The Photo of the Girl I Left Behind; The Spaniard That Blighted My Life—Billy Merson.

Chorus with Orchestra. Cinema Organ—A. Japanese Sunset (Geypen); Ninette (Maid) R. E. McPherson. Comedienne—If I Had Napoleon's Hat (film "Aunt Sally"); We'll All Go Riding On A Rainbow (film "Aunt Sally").

Cicely Courtneidge with Orch. Two Planes—Fox-Trot Medley; Intro; Jealous; Whispering Post; Footbratt; Marie's Avalon; Brown's doin'; Harry Roy's Riser-Bagatelle with String Bass and Drums. Comedienne—Celebrating (film "Limelight"); Top Your Tootsies (film "Jack of all Trades")—Jack Hubbard with Orchestra.

2.30 p.m. Close down.

6.30 "For the Children."

"Noah's Ark" Selection (arr. Henry Hall)—New Mayfair Orchestra with Vocals.

The Adventures of Careless Carrie and Wilful William (a) Careless Carrie hangs up her Christmas Stocking; (b) Wilful William Takes Careless Carrie to see Father Christmas's Workshop—Uncle Charlie and Company with Orchestra and Effects. Studio—Story by Aunt Susan.

Lambeth Walk (from "Me and My Girl")—Grace Field with Orchestra. Daisy Bell (Daisy)—The Old-Time Singers with Orch.

6.50 p.m. An hour of Dance Music.

Fox-Trot—Jeepers Creepers (film "Going Places")—Paul Whiteman and His Swing Wing. Quickstep—Gold! Down To Santa Fe Town; Slow Fox-Trot—Rollin' Plains (from the film); Big Bill Campbell and His Hill Billy Band.

Comedy One-Step—Eleven More Months and Ten More Days—Ambrose and His Orchestra Fox-Trots—In The Mission By The Sea; Little Old Lady—Roy Fox and His Orchestra.

Rumba Fox-Trot—La Cucaracha; Tango—A Media Luz—Orquesta Tipica Roberto Firpo. Novelty Waltz—Boomp-A-Daisy; Fox-Trot—Our Love.

Jack Harris and His Orchestra, Fox-Trot—Marie (film "The Big Apple"); Farewell Blues (from "The Big Apple")—Ronnie Munro and His Orchestra.

Waltzes—The Umbrella Man (from "These Foolish Things"); Ferdinand The Bull (from the film)—Jack Hylyton and His Orchestra. Quickstep—The Chestnut Tree; Love Makes The World Go Round (from "These Foolish Things")—Jack Hylyton and His Orchestra. Comedy Walk—All Over Italy; Fox-Trot—Seven Years With The Wrong Woman—Ray Noble and His Orchestra.

7.30 p.m. London Relay—The News.

8 p.m. Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 p.m. The coming week's programmes.

8.07 p.m. Studio—Two Piano Recital by Herbert and Bernhard Ruff (from the Gloucester Hotel).

8.30 p.m. Songs by Herbert E. Grah (Tenor).

Sun Over Casti—Sergeant (Kromscholtz); O Mia Bella Napoli—Neapolitan Song (Winkler-Siegel). Moonlight In Venice—Venetian Gondola Song (Curel-Hauser).

8.40 p.m. Selections from Musical Comedy.

"Anything Goes"—Selection (Cole Porter)—Carral Gibbons and the Savoy Hotel Orchestra with Vocal Chorus. "Rose-Marie"—Vocal Gems (Firmil); "No, No, Nanette"—Vocal Gems (Vincent Youmans)—Light Opera Company with Orchestra.

"Tulp Time"—Selection (Sievier and Werk); "Please Teacher"—Selection (Weller and Tumbler)—New Mayfair Orchestra with Vocals.

9.05 p.m. Studio—Comments on Recent Events.

9.15 p.m. London Relay—News Summary.

9.20 p.m. Tchaikovsky—The Swan Lake—Ballet Music, Op.20.

London Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by Antal Dilit.

9.52 p.m. Vladimir Horowitz at the Piano.

Presto-Passionato (Appendix to Op.22—Schumann). Dream Vision, Op.12, No.7 (Schumann); Mazurka in E Minor, Op.41, No. 2 (Chopin).

10.05 p.m. The Comedy Harmonists.

Love Me A Little Today (Herbert and Brodsky); Congo Lullaby (film "Sanders of the River"). Solitude (de Long and Others); In A Persian Market (Ketelbey)—With Piano accompaniment.

10.18 p.m. Variety and Dance Music.

"Variety" Novelty—Boris On The Bass; Fox-Trot—I Wanna Woo—The B. B. C. Dance Orchestra directed by Henry Hall. Vocal—At The Close Of A Long Long Day (Moll and Marvin); A Melody From The Sky (film "The Trail of the Lonesome Pine")—Les Allen and His Canadian Bachelors with Novelty Accompaniment. Pasodoble—Bella Espanola; Tango—La Cacerajada—Orquesta Tipica Roberto Firpo.

Humorous Monologue—Albert Comes Back (Edgar)—Stanley Holloway with Webster Booth at the Piano. Fox-Trot—I'm Gonna Clap My Hands; O! Man Mose—Nat Gonella and His Georgians. Comedienne—Aren't Women Wonderful? (Shapiro and Scott); He Hadn't Told Till Yesterday (Wright and Others)—Sophie Tucker with Ted Shapiro and His Orchestra. Fox-Trot—An Old Cowhand (from "Rhythm on the Range"); Empty Saddles (from "Rhythm on the Range")—Ambrose and His Orchestra.

11 p.m. Close down.

### TOMORROW

"CARDS ON THE TABLE"  
12.15 p.m. Short Service of Intercession.

12.30 p.m. Songs by Turner Layton at the Piano.

12.40 p.m. Hawaiian Selections.

1 p.m. Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 p.m. Songs Day (Vocal) and Jack Hylyton and His Orchestra.

1.30 p.m. Reuter and Rugby Press. Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.45 p.m. Gershwin—Rhapsody in Blue.

2 p.m. Dance Music by Jack Jackson and His Orchestra.

2.15 p.m. Close down.

2.30 p.m. Beethoven—Sonata No. 9 In A Major, Op. 47 ("Kreutzer Sonata").

6.32 p.m. Closing local Stock Quotations.

6.34 p.m. Songs by Beniamino Gigli (Tenor).

6.44 p.m. Tangos.

7 p.m. Dance Music by Henry Jacques and His Correct Dance Tempo Orch.

7.30 p.m. London Relay—The News.

8 p.m. Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 p.m. Strauss—Le Beau Danube—Ballet Music.

8.30 p.m. Violin Solos by Albert Sandler.

8.40 p.m. Selections from Gilbert and Sullivan's "The Gondoliers".

9.05 p.m. Studio—Comments on Recent Events.

9.15 p.m. London Relay—News Summary.

9.20 Supper—"Poet and Peasant"—Overture.

9.30 p.m. London Relay—"Cards on the Table".

9.45 p.m. Renata at the Piano.

9.58 p.m. Dance Music.

11 p.m. Close.

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Full Bulletin ..... 5.00 p.m.  
Trans. II & III—News Summary ..... 6.45 p.m.  
Full Bulletin ..... 7.30 p.m.  
do. .... 8.15 p.m.  
do. .... 12.00 mid-night

Transmission V—News Summary ..... 7.30 a.m.  
Full Bulletin ..... 8.30 a.m.

### SHORT TALKS FROM B.B.C.

(All Hongkong Time)  
Mondays—Background to the News ..... 11.00 p.m.  
Tuesdays—Background to the News ..... 8.15 a.m.  
In England Now ..... 11.00 p.m.  
Cards on the Table ..... 8.00 p.m.  
Wednesdays—In England Now ..... 8.45 a.m.  
Cards on the Table ..... 8.15 a.m.  
Matters of Moment ..... 11.00 p.m.  
Thursdays—Matters of Moment ..... 8.45 a.m.  
Background to the News ..... 11.00 p.m.  
Fridays—In England Now ..... 8.45 a.m.  
Now ..... 11.00 p.m.  
Saturdays—In England Now ..... 8.45 a.m.  
London Log ..... 3.30 p.m.  
London Log ..... 11.15 p.m.  
Sundays—London Log ..... 8.45 a.m.

The Malaya Patriotic Fund has sent a further £25,000 donation to the Lord Mayor's Fund, following the despatch of £200,000 in October. Altogether, the Malaya Fund has collected over £120,000 and all races that make up the population of Malaya have contributed.—(Reuter).

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## HOLLYWOOD CAVALCADE

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The health bulletin of Eastern ports for the week ending December 23 is as follows:—Plague: Cochín 1 Case, Cholera — Calcutta 28 Cases, Small-pox — Jodhpur 27 deaths, delhi 7 Cases, Cawnpore 11, Bombay 16, Calcutta 4, Rangoon 3, Hongkong 3.



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Apple Dumplings  
Candied Sweet Potatoes  
String Beans  
Creamed Spinach  
Mince Pie  
Coffee

## DINNER

Oyster Soup  
Vegetable Salad  
Cold Meats & Fowl  
Relishes  
Hot Biscuits  
Honey  
Cheese Cake  
Coffee

## FIRING PRACTICE

Light gun firing practice will be carried out between the hour of 6 p.m. and 12 midnight on 1st, 2nd, 4th and 5th January, 1940.

Firing Area 'B' will be affected.

Light gun firing practice will be carried out between the hours of 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. on 2nd January, 1940.

Firing Area 'A' will be affected.

H.K. POLICE  
RESERVE

(Orders by the Hon Mr. T. H. King, Commissioner of Police)

## CHINESE COMPANY

Training Course—Part II: The following members of the Chinese Company have passed Part II of Training Course (Knowledge of Police Duties and Regulations) on Tuesday, Dec. 19, 1939:—

Constables R29 Lee Ting Shun, R152 Ip Ching, R153 Sung Pak Ching, R154 William Chuan, R155 Lai Kwok Chiu, R156 Cheng Lok Sang, R157 Ng Ping Kwong, R158 Koh Hon Ying, R159 Ts'o Kwai Shing, R160 Fung Hon Hung, R161 Kong Sai Lun, R162 Tang Lin Fui, and R163 Li Kam Chuen.

Training Course—Part III: The following members of the Chinese Company have qualified in Part III of Training Course on Tuesday, Dec. 26, 1939:—

Constables R5 Woo How Ching, R17 Chan Yeung Kwong, R29 Lee Ting Shun, R56 Wan Chiu, R61 Lo Yuk Nam, R68 Leung Wai Kit, R111 Chan Chi Wing, R146 Lau Mau, R147 Lung Che Lap, R148 Charles Tam, R149 Tang Kwong Wing, R150 Koh Kwai Sun, R151 Lam Chong Sing, R152 Ip Ching, R153 Sung Pak Ching, R154 William Chuan, R155 Lai Kwok Chiu, R156 Cheng Lok Sang, R157 Ng Ping Kwong, R158 Koh Hon Ying, R159 Ts'o Kwai Shing, R160 Fung Hon Hung, R161 Kong Sai Lun, R162 Tang Lin Fui, R163 Li Kam Chuen, and Lance Sergeant R4 Tam Kim Fung.

Patrol Duty: Patrol duty will be carried out as ordered.

## INDIAN COMPANY

Training Course—Part I: The following members of the Indian Company have qualified in Part I of Training Course (Squad Drill) on Wednesday, Dec. 27, 1939:—

Constables R281 K. S. Mehal, R255 A. S. Mohamed, R278 Lal Singh, R299 Niamatullah, R285 M. Ibrahim, R261 M. Singh, R270 S. A. Ismail, R254 A. Haroon, R272 M. Nasir, R258 A. W. Kader, R287 N. L. Advant, R224 Y. Tipe, R226 M. Akber, R703 J. Tellis, and R702 M. Hayat.

The following members of the Indian Company will attend Central Police Station on Wednesday, Jan. 3, 1940, at 17.15 hours for Squad Drill under Sub Inspector (R) Mehdi Khan:—

Constables R213 M. Ali, R212 B. Singh, R231 A. Karim, R257 Sarwar Khan, R287 J. Din, R277 M. Afzal, R217 A. Hamid, R218 E. Abbas, R240 A. Mohammed, R259 Abdul-lah Khan, R265 M. Ramzan, R266 Kesar Ali, R701 Najab Khan, R239 M. A. Hamet, R291 A. R. Peraz, and R274 H. Khan.

Leave: Sub Inspector (R) Hardit Singh has been granted leave of absence to date from Dec. 7, 1939, to Jan. 6, 1940.

Patrol Duty: Patrol duty will be carried out as ordered.

## FLYING SQUAD

Strength: Constable R382 Chiu Chung Leung has been taken on the strength of the Flying Squad, as from Dec. 26, 1939.

Patrol Duty: Patrol duty will be carried out as ordered.

## EMERGENCY UNIT RESERVE

Strength: Constable R480 G. B. Harris has been taken on the strength of the Emergency Unit Reserve, as from Dec. 27, 1939.

Equipment Officer: Lance Sergeant R444 W. F. Dorabjee has been appointed Equipment Officer for the Emergency Unit Reserve, as from Jan. 1, 1940.

Inspection: All ranks of the Emergency Unit Reserve will parade at Central Police Station on Wednesday, Jan. 3, 1940, at 17.20 hours for inspection of equipment etc., by the Company Commander. Dress—Blue Uniform. Cap with White Cover. Belt with Brace, Holsters, Lanyards, Whistle and Chain, Armbands, and Truncheon to be carried.

Training: All recruits will parade at No. 2 Police Station on Friday, Jan. 5, 1940, at 17.20 hours for instruction under Sub-Inspector (R) M. A. de Sousa.

Patrol Duty: Patrol duty will be carried out as ordered.

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Hongkong, Monday, Jan. 1, 1940.

CHINESE GOODWILL  
MISSION

CHUNGKING, Dec. 31 (Central)—The Chinese Buddhist Goodwill Mission, headed by Monk Tai Hsu, has arrived in Rangoon, according to a message received from the Burmese capital.

Speaking at a welcome gathering, Monk Tai Hsu expressed the hope that closer relations will be cemented between China and Burma. Buddhist monks of one country should visit the other country, he said.

Referring to China's resistance, he emphasized that China's victory would mean victory for Burma and other nations in the Far East as well.

## NEWSETTES

Mr. Harold Barrett, Chief Warder, has been appointed to act as Superintendent of Prisons.

Inspector John Caldwell Shaw Fender has been appointed an Examiner of Weights and Measures.

Mr. Albert James Robert Robert Moss has been appointed Assistant Censor.

Mr. Donald Gordon Cairns has been appointed to act as Chief Boarding Officer.

Company Sergeant Major William Stoker has been promoted to be Second Lieutenant in the H. K. V. D. C.

Cedric Arthur Lacy Rickett has been appointed Acting Sub-Lieutenant in the Hongkong Naval Volunteer Force.

Mr. Whitney Young has assumed duties temporarily as Consul for the United States of America at Hongkong.

Dr. Cyril Herbert Burton has been appointed to be a member of the Dental Board for the period of three years as from Jan. 1, 1940.

Mr. Henry Arthur Mills resumed duty as Assistant Postmaster General and Chief Accountant on December 22, 1939.

Lt. and Mrs. J. H. Chiles, Mr. Richard Wilfred Davies, Mrs. Somers Fitzroy and Mr. Antonio P. Sequil.

Mr. F. G. Maunier, of Messrs. Thomson & Co., has been appointed Inspector of the business of the H.K. Mercantile & Chemicals Ltd.

Mr. James Roger Godfrey Wyatt has been appointed to act as Nautical Surveyor and Examiner and Examiner of Masters and Mates.

Private John William FitzGerald has been promoted to Lieutenant of an Auxiliary Unit in the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps.

Mr. Henry Joseph Pearce, M.C., M. Inst. Struct. E. L. R.I.B.A., has been appointed an Assistant Director of Public Works with effect from September 28, 1939.

Mr. Cecil William Edwin Bishop, B. Sc. (Eng.) London, A. M. Inst. C.E. Chartered Civil Engineer is appointed an Executive Engineer with effect from September 28, 1939.

The Secretary of State for the Colonies has been pleased to approve of the appointment of Dr. Noel Campbell Macleod M.B., Ch.B. (Glas.), D.P.H., Certif. Lond. Sch. Hyg. and Trop. Med. to be Deputy Director of Health Services.

Mr. C. W. Jeffries, F.R.A.S., Mr. B. D. Evans, F.R.A.S., and Mr. G. S. P. Heywood, M.A., B.Sc., resumed duty as Director, Assistant Director and Professional Assistant, Royal Observatory, respectively, on December 22, 1939.

Tenders are invited by Government for a concrete cut-off wall at Jubilee Reservoir. The work consists of excavating for and concreting of a cut-off wall, excavating and refilling in deep trenches for intake and draw-off pipes and contingent works.

Tenders are also invited for taking borings of hills in Kowloon. The work comprises the investigation of certain hills in Kowloon, New Kowloon, and in areas adjacent to Customs Pass, and possibly Pipers Hill by means of borings.

Mr. David Pryde Ross has been permitted to quit the Hongkong Defence Reserve. Mr. Harry Norman Williamson has been re-assigned from the General Group for Essential Services to the Combatant Group. Mr. Cecil R. Lyen and Mr. Edwin John Grainger have also been permitted to quit.

The following appointments to an Auxiliary Unit of the H. K. V. D. C. have been approved:—Captain Ian Bernard Trevor, Captain John Patrick Sherry, Lieutenant James Smith, Lieutenant Arthur Edward Perry, Lieutenant Walter Charles Clark. These officers will retain the seniority of their first appointment to the Corps.

Nineteen cases of tuberculosis, eight cases of chicken-pox, four cases of dysentery, two cases of diphtheria and one case each of enteric fever and cerebral spinal fever were notified to the Health Department on December 29.

The National Spiritual Mobilization Committee will start an enlarged national economy and savings campaign today. Parades will be held, speeches made, and a series of talks and special features broadcast over the Central Broadcast Station.

From Saturday, Dec. 30, 1939, to Saturday, Jan. 6, 1940, all power driven craft using the junk entrance in the Tathong Channel Anti-Submarine Boom, whether inward or outward bound, are to call alongside H. M. S. Robin which is anchored close to the westward of Jan Chau Island (Slope Island).

Amendments in the Schedule to Ordinance No. 20 of 1938 (Waterworks) are notified in the Government Gazette. Under surcharges the table of meter rents per quarter or part of a quarter is as follows:—4 inch meter and under \$2.50, 1 inch \$3.75, 1 inch \$5, 1 inch \$6.25, 2 inch \$8.75, 3 inch \$12, 4 inch \$18.75, 6 inch \$25.

The following have been permitted to relinquish their commissions in the Hongkong Naval Volunteer Force:—Lieut. Gerard Horace Gandy, Probationary Lieut. Robert Lucian Moncrieff, Actg. Lieut. John Douglas, Actg. Sub-Lieut. John Jackson, Actg. Sub-Lieut. Hugh Campbell Frederick Daves, D.S.O., O.B.E., Actg. Sub-Lieut. James Ernest Harvey and Actg. Sub-Lieut. Cecil Herbert Hooper.

Chinese Statistics  
Society Conference

CHUNGKING, Dec. (Central)—After a two-day session the ninth annual conference of the Chinese Statistics Society was adjourned on Friday.

At the morning meeting yesterday a number of papers on statistics relative to economic and political reconstruction were read while in the afternoon meeting the work of the Society was discussed.

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H.E. The Governor has graciously consented to open the Show at 2.30 p.m. on January 6th, 1940.

Prizes will be distributed by J. Barrow, Esq., District Officer, Northern District at 2.30 p.m. on January 7th, 1940.

Concession rates kindly granted by the Kowloon-Canton Railway of visitors to the Show on the 10 a.m., 12 noon and 1.30 p.m. trains from Kowloon, and any train from Fanling after 1.00 p.m. on both days.

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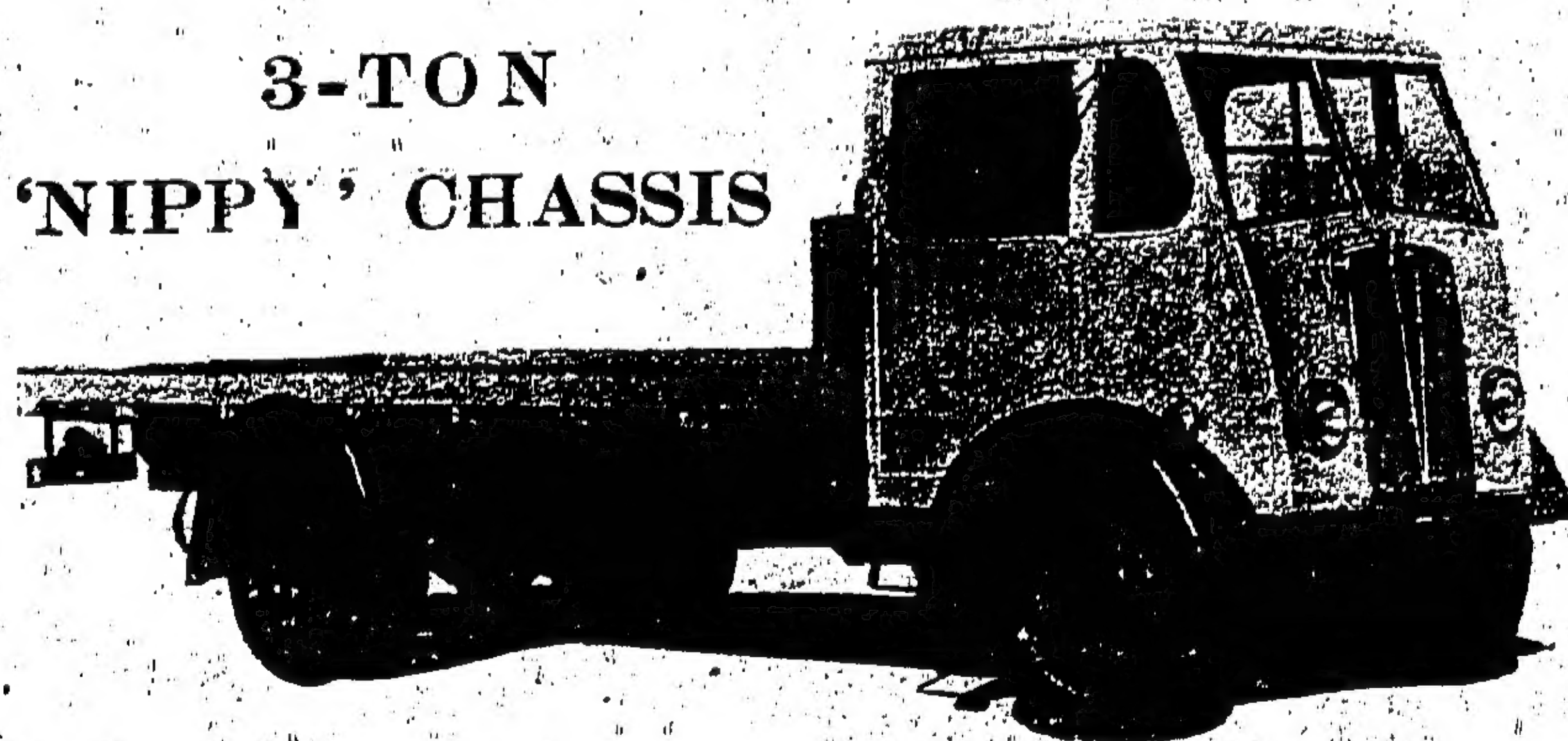
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# 13 MURDER TRIALS AT SUPREME COURT DURING LAST YEAR

WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THE MONTHS OF FEBRUARY, MAY, JUNE, JULY AND DECEMBER, murder trials have figured on the Criminal Sessions monthly calendar at the Supreme Court this year. April was an exceptional month with three trials occupying eight days in all, four of which were taken up by the trial of a Chinese waiter for the murder of a Japanese in a Wanchai restaurant. The case attracted unusual public interest and the defence was conducted by Mr. H.G. Sheldon, K.C.

Statistical data on the total of thirteen trials shows that 11 men paid the supreme penalty in Hongkong Prison, Stanley, six of the condemned prisoners being hanged on one morning, October 4, between 5.05 and 10.45 o'clock. This, it is believed, was the first collective hanging in prison in the history of the Colony.

Of the 25 men and two women charged, 19 men and both women were found guilty while in the case of four men their sentences were commuted to ten years' penal servitude each. The women were pardoned while two men were reprieved. Two men were found guilty of manslaughter.

All trials were heard before the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor.

Mr. John Whyatt, Crown Counsel, appeared for the Crown in seven cases, Mr. J.B. Prentis, Assistant Crown Solicitor, in three, and Mr. E.H. Williams, Crown Counsel, Mr. M.J. Abbott, Assistant Crown Solicitor, and Mr. T.J. Gould, Assistant Crown Solicitor, in one each.

Complete statistical data of the 13 trials follows:—

## JANUARY

23 and 24—CHAU YEUNG, 30, and TSE CHUN, 23, charged with the killing of a fellow-coolie, Wong Kwai-tong, on the hillside above Tai Po Road, on December 1, 1939.

Counsel for the Crown—Mr. E.H. Williams; Defence—Mr. G. She (instructed by Mr. P.H. Sin).

Jury—Messrs. R. Petrie (Foreman), Wong Tso-tong, Wong Shu-chuen, A.G. Goldan, W.K. Way, Cheung Wing-ching, and Chang Sal-cheung.

Verdict—Not Guilty.

24 and 25—LAU SHUK-HING, woman, charged with the murder of her 18-month-old baby girl by opium poisoning at No. 5, Shantung Street, on December 9, 1938.

Counsel for the Crown—Mr. J. Whyatt; Defence—Mr. Lo Tung-fan (instructed by Mr. M.W. Lo). Jury—Messrs. W.F. Ford (Foreman), W. Lee Fook, G.T. Reed, Chung Shun-cheung, W.F. Arndt, Tsoi Chu and Lee Well.

Verdict—Guilty with strong recommendation to mercy.

Accused, who was pregnant and sentenced to life imprisonment, was pardoned by the Governor on March 29, 1939.

## MARCH

27, 28 and 29—LEUNG CHAU, 20, LAM KAM-CHUEN, 47, FUNG CHAK, 21, LI SHEK-MAN, alias Li Tok, alias Mang Kai-tai, 31, and LEUNG TAI 43, charged with the murder of Leung Hung, 60, partner of the Wo Fung shop, No. 155, Wuhu Street, Hunghom, in the early hours of February 6, 1939.

Counsel for the Crown—Mr. J. Whyatt; Defence—Mr. Lo Tung-fan (instructed by Mr. C.Y. Kwan). Jury—First accused: Mr. H.W. Lee (instructed by Mr. Woo Pak-ying) for the second, third, fourth and fifth accused.

Jury—Messrs. B.A. Proulx (Foreman), Thom Khal-hong, S.N. Potuloff, P.T. Mann, Wong Sun-ye, F.J. dos Remedios and K.J.K.H. Haase.

Verdict—Lam Kam-chuen, Fung Chak, Li Shek-man and Leung Tai found Guilty. Leung Chau found Not Guilty.

All sentences were commuted by the Governor to 10 years' penal servitude on April 19, 1939.

## APRIL

19 and 20—LEUNG CHI, 31, and TSOI ON-CHAI, 25, charged with the murder of an earth coolie, Wong King-tsun, at the Nam Shan Tea-house, Reclamation Street, on March 4, 1939.

Counsel for the Crown—Mr. J. Whyatt; Defence—Mr. H.C. Macnamara (instructed by Mr. W.C. Hung) for first accused; Mr. D.J.N. Prentis (instructed by Mr. P.M. Hodgson) for second accused.

Jury—Messrs. H.C.H. Becker (Foreman), Poon Kwan-wui, Chan Yeung-chai, G.E. Ahwee, Tan Joo-lam, Chung Kam-chuen and Chan Thui-wah.

Verdict—Both accused found Guilty. They were hanged in Hongkong Prison on May 24, 1939.

21 and 22—WONG KAM-WAN, charged with the murder of Wong Chung in a matchbox at San Tin New Territories, in the early hours of January 5, 1939.

Counsel for the Crown—Mr. J.

Whyatt; Defence—Mr. Lo Tung-fan (instructed by Mr. W.M. Brown).

Jury—Messrs. V.J. da Motta (Foreman), Ho Kam-sang, Chan Chu-kuang, Lee Kan-chung, Fung Chak-lan, Chung Pak-cheung, and Cheng Fan.

Verdict—Guilty. Accused was hanged in Hongkong Prison on May 24, 1939.

24, 25, 26 and 28—LI PING-CHUN charged with the murder of a Japanese, Hiyoshi Sagara, at the Cha Heung Sut Restaurant, Wanchai, on January 28, 1939.

Counsel for the Crown—Mr. J. Whyatt; Defence—Mr. H.G. Sheldon, K.C. (instructed by Mr. J.T. Prior).

Jury—Messrs. B.J. Lacon (Foreman), R. Johnson, R.L.S. Webb, Johnston Wong, F. Sanchez, M. Carlo and Chan Kam-po.

Verdict—Guilty of manslaughter. Accused was sentenced to seven years' hard labour.

## AUGUST

28, 29, 30 and 31—TSO LAM, 30, LEUNG KAM, 22, LI FUK-26, CHAN LUK, 30, LI WAN-CHEUNG, 21, and CHAN KAN, 27, charged with the murder of Li Hung, a dealer in rope and matting, on May 21, 1939, off Tung Ku Island.

Counsel for the Crown—Mr. J.B. Prentis; Defence—Mr. Hin-shing Lo (instructed by Mr. S. Ng Quinn) for the first, third and sixth accused; Mr. G. She (instructed by Mr. D. McCallum) for the second, fourth and fifth accused.

Jury—Messrs. A. Wright (Foreman), Yick Soy-kwan, A. Stalker, F.X. Botelho, H.J.D. Lowe, B.W. Simmons and C.M. Xavier.

Verdict—Guilty. All accused were hanged in Hongkong Prison on October 4, 1939.

## SEPTEMBER

21 and 22—LI SO, alias She Wong-so, bricklayer, charged with the murder of a surveyor's assistant Fong San.

Counsel for the Crown—Mr. J. Whyatt; Defence—Mr. H.W. Lee (instructed by Mr. M.I. Zimmerman).

Jury—Messrs. D. McFerran (Foreman), F. Goodwin, J.A.V. Ribeiro, S. Wu, Chu Wah-fong, D.A. Ribeiro and J.M. da Silva.

Verdict—Guilty of manslaughter. Accused was sentenced to 14 years' hard labour.

25 and 26—WONG YIN, 22, TANG LAM, 19, and WONG KEE-SHAN, 23, charged with the murder of Li So, 30, ship's caulker, at Spaukwan, on the night of July 22, 1939.

Counsel for the Crown—Mr. J. Whyatt; Defence—Mr. H.C. Macnamara (instructed by Mr. C. D'Almeida) for first and second accused; Hon. Mr. Leo D'Almeida, jun. (instructed by Mr. F.H. Loseby) for third and fourth accused.

Jury—Messrs. V.A. Ivenson (Foreman), M.A. Prata, H.J.A. Hearne, W. Mok, Cheung Tin-lee, U. Tatchee and Hool Yip-beng.

Verdict—First accused Guilty. He was hanged in Hongkong Prison on November 1, 1939. Second accused Guilty and recommended to mercy. He was granted a reprieve. Third and fourth accused Not Guilty.

## OCTOBER

23 and 24—MAN SHIU charged with the murder of a fellow-prisoner, Chan Shek-lam, then serving a 15-year term for attempted murder, in Hongkong Prison, on August 26, 1939.

Counsel for the Crown—Mr. J.B. Prentis; Defence—Mr. Inglis Hosang (instructed by Mr. C.A. Sutherland Russ).

Jury—Messrs. R. Abraham (Foreman), Lo Ho-yung, Chau Wah-gork, F.M. Silva, H.R. de Pinna, Ng Chi-mann and Shum Tsze-chung.

Verdict—Guilty. Accused was hanged in Hongkong Prison on November 22, 1939.

30 and 31—PANG YIU-WUI, 40, married woman, charged with the murder of her husband's concubine, Wan Hang-chung.

Counsel for the Crown—Mr. T.J. Gould; Defence—Mr. D.J.N. Anderson (instructed by Mr. R.M.M. King).

Jury—Messrs. H.R. Webb (Foreman), Lai Pul-lan, G.T. Anderson, E.J. Reed, Kan Yan-tsum, J.E. Montalto and Kuang Chow-ll.

Verdict—Guilty with strong recommendation to mercy. Accused was pardoned.

27 and 28—TANG CHU, alias Shu Hang-tai, 24, charged with the murder of Leung Ki, 21, in

Chinese Street, on September 28, 1939.

Counsel for the Crown—Mr. J.B. Prentis; Defence—Mr. Percy Chen (instructed by Mr. A.S.K. Lau).

Jury—Messrs. J.J. Cameron (Foreman), H. Turner, H.L. Moor, T.A. Kuester, S.W. da Cruz, jun., H. W. Pomeroy and Yuen Tat-ming.

Verdict—Guilty. Accused was granted a reprieve.



Group of spectators at the Boxing Day race meeting at Fanling.

## JOURNALIST MARRIED

MR. H. W. C. MILNER & MISS MORRISON

Mr. Hugh William Chapman Milner, of the editorial staff of the South China Morning Post, was married to Miss Laura Yvonne Morrison, at St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon, yesterday afternoon, the Rev. J. R. Higgs, B.A., F.R.G.S., Vicar, officiating at the ceremony.

Miss Morrison, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel S. Morrison, of Sydney, formerly of Dundee, Forfarshire, Scotland, was escorted to the altar by Mr. B. Wylie, Director and General Manager of the South China Morning Post.

Mr. Milner is the second son of Mr. Frank Milner, C.M.G., M.A., and Mrs. Milner, of Oamaru, New Zealand.

A reception was held in the Peninsula Hotel after which Mr. and Mrs. Milner proceeded to the Repulse Bay Hotel where they will spend their honeymoon.

Chinese Street, on September 28, 1939.

Counsel for the Crown—Mr. J.B. Prentis; Defence—Mr. Percy Chen (instructed by Mr. A.S.K. Lau).

Jury—Messrs. J.J. Cameron (Foreman), H. Turner, H.L. Moor, T.A. Kuester, S.W. da Cruz, jun., H. W. Pomeroy and Yuen Tat-ming.

Verdict—Guilty. Accused was granted a reprieve.

29 and 30—IP KUI, 50 charged with the murder of his daughter-in-law, Law Chuen-lan, 28, on October 20, by inflicting a deep wound in her stomach.

Counsel for the Crown—Mr. M. J. Abbott; Defence—Mr. Lo Tung-fan (instructed by Mr. F.E. Nash).

Jury—Messrs. A. Gascon (Foreman), Cheong Jack-run, Yu Chik-yin, Wong Chan-kuen, Li Chiu-lung, S. Bux and H.S. Law.

Verdict—Not Guilty.

## DISASTERS

Feb. 3—Explosions at two London tube stations.

May 17—Explosion at Woolwich Arsenal—5 men killed.

May 25—U.S. submarine Squalus sank—26 lives lost.

June 2—H. M. Submarine Thetis sank in Liverpool Bay—99 lives lost; salvaged on Oct. 22.

June 16—French submarine Phenix sank—71 lives lost.

Dec. 22—Earthquake in Anatolia.

## OBITUARY

Deaths during the year included the following prominent persons:—

Princess Louise (Duchess of Argyll); Pope Pius XI; W. B. Yeats; Claude Swanson; Lt.-Col. J. Muirhead; Douglas Fairbanks, sen.; Anthony Parker; Lord Shuttleworth; King Ghazi; Earl Granville; Lord Duveen; Lord Sanderson; Patriarch Miron; Cristea; Major-General Sir Charles Corran; Admiral Sir Stanley Colville; Dr. Sigmund Freud; Vice-Admiral Sir Reginald Henderson; Paymaster-Rear-Admiral C.A. F. Dumbbar; Commander Frank Wild; Sir John Astbury; Sir Henry Lunn; Sir Herbert Goffe; Sir Henry Norman; Sir Philip Sassoon; S. B. Van Dine; Frank Tate; A. G. Ogilvie; R. L. Scott; Gordon Manley; Wu Pei-fu; Ma Hsiao-po; J. A. Lyons; James Croucher; C. H. Pull; Dr. E. R. A. Seligman; Col. Mercader; Dd. Mahmed Spaho; Admiral Sir Hugh Smclair; Vice-Admiral Sir Percy Douglas; M. Guy de Chapeleau; Sir Reginald Glancy; Sir William Prout; Genfue Eumorfopoulos; Alice Brady; Havelock Ellis; Floyd Gibbons.

A total of \$10,000 has been given by Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek for the relief of families of war dead residing in the outskirts of Chengtu.—(Central News).

## Rizal Day Celebrations By Filipinos

CLUB LUNCHEON AT KING'S PARK

The death of their great patriot, Dr. Jose T. Rizal, was commemorated by the Filipino community of Hongkong yesterday, when a luncheon was held at the Filipino Club, King's Park.

A large gathering was present. Mr. L. R. Idefonso, chairman of the Rizal Day Committee, who was introduced by Mr. C. L. Bautista, delivered the commemoration address.

## TWO NOVELS

Dr. Rizal was born at Calamba, Laguna, on June 19, 1881. After studying in the Philippine Islands, he went to Madrid, where he obtained the degree of Doctor of Medicine.

He wrote two satirical novels at the Spanish oppression of the Islands, and for his opposition to the government of the day was tried for treason and sentenced to death.

He was executed at Bagumbayan, Manila, on December 30, 1896. Just before his death, he completed a very moving poem which he called "Last Farewell."

## MUSICAL ENTERTAINMENT

The luncheon was followed by a musical entertainment, in which Fred Carpio's orchestra, Liza Colombo and Juan Babita, took part, and by a dance which continued until the evening.

## LONDON GAZETTE

### DECEMBER 1

Lieut.-Comdr. C. R. Thompson placed on Retd. List with rank of Comdr. (Nov. 23).

Lieut. to be Lieut.-Comdr.—H. A. N. Haggard, M. S. Townsend, N. R. Quill, O. Brocklebank, C. E. Bingham, Powell, J. Clutton-Baker, D. E. Mansfield, Merriman, E. Mack, G. Hare, R. K. Hudson, F. B. Currie, J. N. Garnett, P. G. O. Sydney-Turner, W. G. Beaks, A. C. Macdonald, R. S. Pennafra, A. C. E. Higgins, J. C. Stopford, H. E. P. Tweedie, J. C. C. Hammett, J. L. Hammond, J. C. C. Hammett, A. B. Coie, A. J. Dent (Dec. 1).

Paymaster Comdr. N. R. F. Redhead placed on Retd. List with rank of Paymaster (Capt. Dec. 2).

### DECEMBER 2

Lieut. to be Lieut.-Comdr. with senior as stated.—G. L. Parnfield (Nov. 15); C. G. Lawson (Nov. 25).

Supplies it to the London Gazette to Tuesday, December 12.

### WAR OFFICE, DEC. 15

REGULAR ARMY  
Maj.-Gen. F. C. Roberts, V.C., D.S.O., O.B.E., M.C., to retire on ret. pay (Dec. 16).

COMMANDS AND STAFF  
The following appointments were made:—Lt.-K.C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O., Col. E. Lam. Gen. (now Gen.) Sir John G. Dill, B. from G.O.C.-in-C. Alderhot.

Comd. to be a Corps Comdr. (Sept. 3): Lt.-Gen. A. F. Brooke, C.B., D.S.O., Col. Comdr. R.A. from G.O.C.-in-C. Southern Comd. to be a Corps Comdr. (Sept. 1): Maj.-Gen. T. R. Eastwood, Eastwood, D.S.O., M.C., from Comd. to be Comdr. (Sept. 1): Col. (Hon. Maj.-Gen.) A. Carton de Wiart, V.C., C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O., ret. pay, to be Comdr. and to be granted the actg. rank of Maj.-Gen. (Nov. 28).

To be Staff Capt. (July 28):—Maj. W. M. Collins, M.C., Dorset R.; Maj. R. M. Clidow Jackson, D.S.O.; Loyal R.; Capt. C. Harford, O.G.d.; Capt. R. Deacombe, M.B.E., R. Scots; Capt. H. C. Orr, H. L. I.



Season's Greetings  
and  
All Good Wishes  
for  
The New Year



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## Kowloon City Hold Up

Two men held up and robbed a woman and a girl while the latter were walking along the Kowloon City Road to Saikung yesterday. The victims, Wong Yau, 38, married woman, and the girl Lo Wing-yuk, 15, were approaching Wong Keng Tsai Village when they were surprised by the men, one of whom brandished a revolver at them. The two women were relieved of money amounting to \$27.33. The police subsequently tracked down the two robbers, who were arrested, and \$17.99 was recovered.

## AIRPORT NEWS

Imperial Airways:  
NORTHBOUND  
Wednesday: Bangkok, Hanol, Hongkong.  
Della—4 p.m.

SOUTHBOUND  
Wednesday: Hanol, Bangkok, Denebola—7 a.m.

Air France  
NORTHBOUND  
Wednesday: France, Hanol, Hongkong.  
Service—4 p.m.

SOUTHBOUND  
Thursday: Hanol, France.  
Service—5 a.m.

Pan American Airways  
EASTBOUND  
Saturday: U.S.A., Manila, Hongkong.  
Philippine Clipper—2 p.m.

WESTBOUND  
Sunday: Manila, U.S.A.  
Philippine Clipper—8.30 a.m.



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ADOLF'S  
NEPHEW  
WILLY

William Patrick Hitler (Willy), Adolf's British-born nephew, who is touring the United States and making big with a series of lectures on "What the German people are thinking," sent a letter to a friend in London recently and enclosed the prospectus of his tour.

His agents, Harold R. Peat, of New York, say in their announcements that Willy Hitler "presents the startling story of the real Germany hidden by Nazi fictions."

Willy is the son of Adolf's half-brother Alois, a Berlin restaurant-keeper; His mother is Irish. He was educated in England, and went to live in Germany shortly after Hitler came to power in 1933. He and his mother went to the United States last February.

## ADOLF RELENTED

The announcements of his lecture tour say—

William Hitler has had stormy relations with his uncle. At first, for political reasons, Adolf Hitler denied that they were blood relatives.

"When William published articles at his father's request to correct certain mis-statements about his family, Hitler summoned him and his father to his hotel, and in an hysterical interview threatened to kill himself if anything more was published concerning his family affairs."

"Hitler relented a little when William went to live in Germany."

But Hitler became enraged when his nephew refused to obey commands, and at their final interview paced backwards and forwards with a horsehide whip in his hands, threatening him.

Willy's mother says that Adolf was known in the family as "a man with a big mouth and a little hand."

Her son predicts that the Nazi State cannot stand more than nine months of war.

Alois Hitler was a waiter in Dublin when he first met Willy's mother, a farmer's daughter. Three years after their wedding he deserted her at Liverpool, and married bigamously in Germany.

**ENGAGEMENT**  
MEYRICK — ARNHOLD — The engagement is announced between Timothy Capel Meyrick, youngest son of Vice Admiral Sir Sidney Meyrick, K.C.B. and Lady Meyrick of Admiralty House, Bermuda, and Suzette Arnhold, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C.H. Arnhold of 193 Route Cardinal Mercier, Shanghai, 1945

**ANNOUNCEMENT**  
Dr. and Mrs. Sun Fo wish to announce the wedding of their eldest son, Tse-ling, to Miss S. L. Jay of Honolulu in California, U.S.A. on Christmas Day 1939. Outport newspapers please copy.

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## TUBERCULOSIS

**THE ANTI-TUBERCULOSIS CAMPAIGN** just launched by the Medical Department happily coincides with the advent of the New Year. The death-rate from the disease in the Colony is appalling, and there is no cause which we would back with greater enthusiasm than that of making 1940 truly a year of unremitting battle against the plague.

**BEFORE GOING**, on to the particulars of the situation in Hongkong it is, however, essential to re-state certain fundamental truths concerning tuberculosis. These are, briefly, that the disease takes root, spreads, and does the greatest execution where there is poverty and overcrowding (although this does not mean that it does not proceed, from these foci, to invade more prosperous areas). It is necessary to repeat this because it has been suggested in Hongkong, and notably in the columns of a contemporary, that since there is little likelihood that anything can be done to deal with these root causes it may be well to concentrate on the propaganda of general principles of sanitation such as propaganda being capable, presumably, of reducing both the incidence of the disease and the death rate from it. We wish to go on record as opposing this attitude. We are convinced that without beginning at fundamentals, very little can be done.

**READERS OF THE "DAILY PRESS"** will have noticed on an inside page of our yesterday's issue a slogan, addressed presumably to them, warning against spitting on the floor. Since our readers are not likely to be addicted to this habit, it is obvious that the sub-editor who inserted this slogan was doing a bit of abstract thinking. To concentrate on slogans and education alone in a campaign against the white plague is to be guilty of the same kind of approach to this most serious of the Colony's problems.

**WE DO NOT WISH** to consider the question of tuberculosis in Hongkong from the splendid isolation of the editorial chair. We advise anyone who wants an honest view of the matter to repair, as we did, to the teeming slums that disfigure the island, a thing that it is not difficult to do since they are seldom more than five minutes walk off Hongkong's busiest and richest thoroughfares. In the course of a profitable hour spent in alleys so crowded that people live and work not only in the noisome tenements that line them but also, without a roof over their heads, in the congested streets themselves, the investigator might ponder on the fact that not only has no serious slum clearance scheme been undertaken, but

## Hello &amp; Goodbye

(BY A. W. HYER)

So today is the first in the Leap Year of 1940! But maybe the least said about it the better!

Shipping companies, particularly those whose commercial transports ply the Pacific Ocean and ports are anticipating bigger and better business in the 366 days to come which means good business and news to Hongkong depending on shipping for a great majority of revenue.

THE TALE OF  
A SHANGHAI  
SCOTTIE

## MISTER CINDERS

For all dog lovers is the book *Mister Cinders*, the tale of a Shanghai Scottie, written in a most charming manner by Janet Mombler, daughter of Mr. A. C. Mombler, a prominent businessman in Shanghai. Delightfully illustrated by the authoress, the book reveals the story of *Mister Cinders*, a Scotch terrier, who lived a happy life in the Northern city until the outbreak of the Sino-Japanese conflict when the dog was taken by ship to England. Following the quarantine period at home, *Mister Cinders* rejoined Miss Mombler. Written with thorough understanding of a dog's mind, the story contains many amusing adventures for the reader and are especially delightful to people in the Far East as there is mention of Shanghai and Hongkong.

Well-produced, *Mister Cinders* is published by Kelly & Walsh, Limited, and is on sale at their establishment in Chater Road, Hongkong, at \$2.50 per copy.

that only a few months ago the Hon. Director of Medical Services was unable to secure even a second when he placed before the Urban Council a proposal to hire a few extra coppers for better washing of the streets.

**THE ROOT CAUSES OF POVERTY** in the Colony are, of course, beyond the power of Government to overcome. But the control of the forces that batten on this poverty and the introduction of serious palliative measures, such as the wholesale condemnation of the kind of building that is a pesthole in ordinary times and a death-trap in the event of fire, strict regulation simultaneously of living space and of rents, effective municipal sanitation, isolation and treatment of T.B. cases along the lines suggested in the Hospitals Report—all these are definitely within its sphere and its obligation. It is true that these things cost more than posters, and that to talk of expenditures on social services at a time when hospital fees are being raised and the shadow of income tax hangs menacingly on the horizon will worry some people, but if tuberculosis is to be fought it is clear that many things must be done that only money can do.

**THE "PURE PROPAGANDA"** approach to the subject reminds us of the unorthodox school-day experiments in elementary civics which did violence, for instance, to the strains of "Carmen" with doggerel such as:

Toreador,  
Don't spit on the floor,  
Use the cuspidor,  
That's what it's for

Thus we imbibed at once a respect for hygiene and a reasonable acquaintance with the masterpieces of Opera. It is doubtful, however, if the method is a sound one for combating tuberculosis in Hongkong.

**PROPAGANDA** by all means! It is valuable and important. But only if the more material aspects of the problem are tackled at the same time to the full limit of possibility! We are sure that this is the view of the Medical Department, which is most competent to deal with such matters, and it is in this direction that the full force of public opinion in the Colony must be mobilized.

The junk *Cheng Ho* reached Manila on Saturday making a fast and safe crossing in four days which is indeed some going!

Imperial Airways' plane, due on Sunday, will not be arriving in the Colony until Wednesday afternoon. Pan American Airways' Philippine Clipper will not arrive in Hongkong before Saturday from San Francisco.

And Air France is keeping to the regular Wednesday arrival schedule according to week-end reports.

## Imperial Airways

Captain J. Davies, in the R.M.A. *Denebola*, was off for Bangkok on Sunday at 7 a.m.

Mr. E. F. Sansom, executive of the Burma Oil Co., was continuing his journey to Rangoon.

Lieut. Commander H. G. St. Bury, R.N. held a ticket to London and Mr. R. R. Khatri for Calcutta.

## Pan American Airways

Captain J. Nixon, in the California Clipper, was away for calls in Manila and San Francisco. The many passengers for the Philippine port included Mr. Charles M. Gee, the manager of National Aniline & Chemical Co. in Hongkong.

Mrs. Anne Archbold, who finally caught a Clipper, is a big shareholder in the junk *Cheng Ho* and plans to embark for the Spice Island tour of the Botanical Exploration, Inc., leaving Manila about the end of January.

Another local resident for Manila for the New Year was Mr. F. Barretto.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Reith were bound for San Francisco and holidays. They recently arrived from India where they are with the Bahrien Oil Co.

Mr. Wang San was travelling to America.

Back to their residences in Manila travelled Mr. R. Fleischer, representative of International Harvester Co. Mr. Norris Everett, Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Brimmer and Lieut. and Mrs. C. W. Crockett, U.S.A. with their daughter.

## American President Line

One of the American President steamers departed our shores during the week-end, bound on northern calls and Los Angeles.

San Francisco-bound were Mr. and Mrs. J. F. McKiernan, Jr., representative of the General Milk Co. on transfer to South American soil.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul W. Meyer, accompanied by their young son, were also en route to San Francisco. The American Consul in the North may find a new berth awaiting him in Washington D.C.

Miss A. Viola Smith, U.S. Trade Commissioner in Shanghai, was another passenger.

One of Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co.'s representatives, Mr. L. J. Davies was off to Shanghai.

Dr. Chien Shu Fan, the well-known attorney, formerly of Canton, is en route to America and Washington for business conferences.

And the most nonchalant passenger aboard was Ensign R. E. Fahnestock, U.S.N. en route to Shanghai.

Judge Refuses  
To Give Ruling  
On Dress

Whether a member of the military forces wearing uniform was correctly dressed for appearance in the dock on a criminal charge was a legal problem put to Judge Streeton in General Sessions in Melbourne.

The Judge decided that, as many might not be able to afford a wardrobe fitting for their appearance, he could not lay down any rule.

The law of the court was still supreme, however, and no authority outside the court, whether civil, military or political, had the right to tell an accused person how he should conduct himself before a court.

He said that most soldiers would not wish to take the King's uniform into the dock unless to impress a jury unfavorably.

Mr. J. Long, counsel for a man in camp at Puckapunyal, said his client had been told that once in military uniform he could not wear civilian clothes.

Appeal On Behalf Of H.K.  
Working Artists' Guild

To the Editor of the Hongkong Daily Press.

Sir,—The Hongkong Working Artists' Guild finds itself in urgent need of funds at the moment when the work of over four years is bearing good fruit. I am making this our first public appeal for financial aid, at the suggestion of Sir Robert Kotewall.

Two-and-a-half years ago, Sir Andrew Caldecott, who had taken great interest in the Guild as a centre of fellowship between artists, and especially of reciprocity between Eastern and Western Art, expressed the hope in his farewell address to the Colony that the Guild should not be allowed to die for want of support.

At that time the lean hot months were ahead, when there would be few to use the co-operative studio, then in its second year; and a veritable exodus of workers and supporters was taking place.

Sir Robert nobly sponsored contributions from a group of twenty, several of whom were members of the Legislative Council, to enable us to make good. But for this timely aid we should certainly have perished, as the Sino-Japanese war broke out almost immediately afterwards, and revolutionised the prospects and character of the Guild.

Whereas originally we had arranged exhibitions to make known to the public, and to market, the work of individual artists, our exhibitions took on the character of charities, being largely or in part in aid of Red Cross or other help for war victims, or to assist artists who were driven here in numbers from all over China by the war.

We raised thus many hundreds of dollars, so that had we been working for ourselves even with the modest ten per cent charged on sales effected through the Guild, and contributions from those using the studio, we could have kept going and been enabled to extend our scope, instead of which we had to draw on our central fund month by month for debt in working expenses.

## REFUGEE STUDENTS

Through the whole of 1938 we gave studio hospitality to many refugee artists and even schools, and the usual work of visiting and resident artists meeting and working together, sharing models and so on continued to grow somewhat fitfully. In the autumn we formed the natural collecting centre for the collection of Representative Contemporary Art in China, which Jack Chen wished to take as a return Goodwill Exhibition for the Exhibition of Graphic Art for the benefit of Chinese Army Medical Relief he had brought from Europe and U.S.A.

In the Interior he could only collect war work which, though most striking and moving, by no means showed the normal development of recent Art in the Orient. We were able to gather paintings from a number of artists representative of all China.

No public display of his collection was possible owing to the fall of Canton. It has toured Europe, being shown in Paris and other places where it has received a good deal of attention and had as much success as could be expected when tracked by the menace of war.

**REFUGEE IN AMSTERDAM**  
In October it found refuge in Amsterdam, whence it was to be transferred to London. Insurance has had to be paid on some of these pictures and on the studio where we hold valuable modern pictures, and some genuine ancient ones, deposited for assistance given. Such expenses can only be regarded as frozen assets at present. By and large, we have about a quarter of the sum originally given to us tied up by the war in Europe, and in consequence of this and the position of the use of our studio detailed below we are for the moment almost at the end of our resources.

On our laying the position before Sir Robert Kotewall he intimated after consultation with others of the group, that he himself and other donors were more than satisfied with the report of our work, and despite the heavy calls upon them at the present time, some were willing to contribute again to our funds; but they considered that the Guild calls for much wider interest and support than that to be obtained from any small group of friends.

**MRS. DUNBAR'S SUGGESTION**  
If I would make a personal appeal I might be assured of immediate response from the group to head the list of contributions. A few months before the war in Europe began Mrs. L. Dunbar expressed the belief that many people in Hongkong would be glad to contribute two dollars or so to a month to enable us to begin a definite school of Art, and backed her own suggestion by generously subscribing for one year on this scale.

The idea did not immediately catch on, and the onset of war destroyed all such schemes, and threatened to extinguish our work. However though with many anxieties we still live, and our objectives and opportunities are multiplying. We only need some backing to continue. Accordingly the Guild is opening two funds for which we confidently expect support:—

(1) A Donation Fund, such as Sir Robert sponsored before, which does not commit the donor to any repetition of the gift.  
(2) A Subscription Fund of small sums, from two dollars upwards, preferably to be paid quarterly or half-yearly in advance.

A start with the New Year for these subscriptions would be very encouraging.

## GUARANTEE OF RENT

Such support would form a guarantee of the rent and running expenses of our co-operative studio, which is the heart of our activities, and for the use of which we regulate our charges according to the means of those who make use of it for work or teaching. The expenses cannot always be met out of members' subscriptions.

The Guild is somewhat loosely organised. We have a banking account, with Mr. Cyril Champkin as Treasurer, and Mr. E. A. Cernic as Hon. Secretary. Subscriptions should be sent to the latter at 15 Elock A. Kennedy Road. Cheques should be made out to "The Hongkong Working Artists' Guild." Contributions will be acknowledged in the Press.

## SMALL EXECUTIVE

We have a small executive which changes for the various needs of our work. — shows, special jobs, classes, and so on, Luis Chan, as Vice-President undertakes everything requiring knowledge of Chinese and Chinese artists. I myself am styled President. As all management is unpaid all monies go direct to the work of the Guild. A few items regarding our activities will fully substantiate our claim to be a useful factor in keeping Hongkong on the map as a centre of Art fellowship. During 1938 and 1939 we have introduced several world-famous artists—here owing to expulsion from Europe and hitherto unknown in the Far East—through exhibitions and sales of their works which have aroused interest in the more modern developments of pictorial Art. We have rescued from oblivion two noteworthy Chinese artists of genius recently dead, both by exhibition here and by sending a selection of their work to Europe and U.S.A. via Mr. Jack Chen.

At the studio we held a second series of lessons by a well-known teacher in Chinese Art for European students. We cannot at the moment expect, as we had hoped, to get endowment for the foundation of an International School of Art, a permanent Art Gallery, and one for current exhibitions, which are some of our larger projects. We are, however, glad to see that it is proposed to erect a temporary Town Hall, which we hope may help to solve some of our trouble about exhibitions.

**TEACHING CENTRE**  
Meantime we keep pegging away at the formation of a teaching Centre both for the Fine Arts and for Industrial and Commercial Art. In the summer, when we expected to be able to open a regular school towards the end of the year, we secured a brilliant Director of Studies, at the forefront of the knowledge and practice of Western Art, whom nothing but exile would have brought to us, and whose teaching of basic drawing by a method entirely new to the Far East, as taught in Paris, is the best possible foundation for every form of Art. Pupils taught in the Summer School have astonished by their rapid progress. War has scattered the students and the classes arranged for the winter season.

In order to keep our Director with us with the depleted clientele the Guild has in faith given free use of all our resources—studio

## CORRESPONDENCE

Peace Preservation  
Corps

[To the Editor, H.K. Daily Press]

Sir,—The Chairman of the above corps seems in earnest to defend the action of its members against Mr. Hadsome's letter and at the same time to make known their merits to the public, but I think it would be more beneficial if he after reading Mr. Hadsome's letter makes thorough investigation before rushes to print. He boldly asserts that the subscriptions were made voluntarily and the service of the members is rendered gratuitously; but as Chairman of the corps he should know all the ins and outs of every district under his control. I am one of the Kowloon City residents who received a letter or circular of demand from the corps.

The gist and literal translation of the circular is as follows: "It has been definitely decided that all residents belong to Kowloon City irrespective of ground floor upper floors, every flat every month remit and subsidize the district department 50 cents. From the 20th inst. members of the force will be sent to each house for collection. receipt will be given back immediately 6 months as limit."

Signed: District Chief, Ho Wing Ching, District Deputy, Tai Yeuk Lau, Lau Wing Fook.

I wonder what authority have these people to tax us. I hope Government will investigate into this matter and put a stop to this forced and illegal contribution.

To the Chairman I would advise him to find out the true impression of the public about his members and their behaviours off and on duty, and have closer contact with the district chiefs otherwise how ridiculous it would look that they are acting without his knowledge.

A CHINESE.

## XMAS TREE GIFTS

[To the Editor, H.K. Daily Press]

Dear Sir,—I will be grateful if through your columns I could thank all donors of gifts to the Christmas Tree. Individual gifts of money have been acknowledged separately where we have known the donors. Gifts in kind and anonymous gifts of money are hereby acknowledged most gratefully.

This year the response has been more generous than ever and we have been able to help through the various societies many poor and needy people who have very greatly appreciated the kindness.

Yours sincerely,  
J. L. WILSON  
Dean.

accommodation and attendance, publicity, exhibitions, and so on; and for this we have had to draw on our slender resources.

We have also experts to help us in future organisation. In respect of relating the Fine Arts to life and the other Arts, we have among our members at least one Russian Artist skilled in stage setting and decoration, who is prepared to assist productions gratis. An important development of Guild work is the production of Public Health posters. At the request of the Medical Authorities six anti-cholera posters were co-operatively designed, and now speak from the walls and hoardings of Hongkong to those who cannot read nor take in verbal warning.

The Guild is now preparing a set on T.B., a task involving even more team work, consultation with experts, and collaboration in presentation by the special kind of artistic skill required for which Chinese knowledge of detail is very important.

**FUTURE GLOBE OF COLONY**  
When it is realised that these activities have been kept alive and spreading on a capital sum of about £30 sterling for over two-and-a-half years we may surely hope that Hongkong will help us to do even more for the present distresses and future glory of the Colony on a sum at least four times that amount which would guarantee our security for a long time to come. We can all at this time get down our luxuries, but as we were reminded in a recent broadcast from suffering Czechoslovakia "Art and Education for a civilised community are not luxuries but necessities."

(Signed) IRENE M. ASHBY  
MACFADYEN  
President, Hongkong Working Artists' Guild.



# HITLER REPORTED PREPARING 5,000,000 TRAINED TROOPS FOR SPRING OFFENSIVE

## Light & Medium Weapons, Tanks Being Constructed

LONDON, Dec. 30 (Reuter)—Germany expects to have 5,000,000 trained and partially trained men under arms by the Spring, the Amsterdam correspondent of the "News Chronicle" learns from a reliable neutral authority in Berlin.

This force represents an army of some 240 divisions under the present system of organisation, and is to be backed, it is understood, by a further two or three million men who will be called up as soon as training camps, instructors and weapons are available.

Neutral observers in Berlin believe it will not be possible to equip the second batch of men, who will be for the most part getting on for middle age.

### WEAPONS AND TANKS

They have reason to believe, however, that most of the light and medium weapons and tanks for 240 divisions will be available as soon as the troops have been trained.

About 50 divisions, however, will be needed to watch Germany's frontiers and to keep order in the provinces she has conquered.

Poland alone will take about 40 divisions for this purpose.

### SPRING OFFENSIVE

When the 240 divisions are complete the German army will have been almost doubled, for Hitler entered the war with about 250,000 men.

Neutral observers have little doubt that he intends to attempt a huge offensive on the land in the Spring.

### RED REINFORCEMENTS

LONDON, Dec. 30 (Reuter)—It is reported here that some 150,000 Russian reinforcements from Siberia and the Caucasus have arrived at the Karelian Isthmus.

The first contingent of Finnish volunteers from Canada arrived in Helsinki.

Smart work by the Police resulted in the arrest yesterday morning, within 24 hours of their alleged offence, of six men one woman in connection with the armed robbery reported to the Police on Saturday morning, in which about \$2,500 was taken from the occupants of 56B Belcher Road, Hongkong earlier that morning.

SHANGHAI, Dec. 30 (Reuter)—The Japanese Embassy spokesman announces that the Japanese have occupied a portion of the International Settlement which will be returned to the Municipal Council when the extra-settlement roads questions is settled.

## RED ARMY LAUNCHES BIG PUSH AGAINST MANNERHEIM LINE IN DRIVE TO VIBORG

### Finnish Ski Troops Still Battling Their Way To Soviet Railway Terminus

HELSINKI, Dec. 30 (Reuter)—Heavily reinforced by seasoned troops from Siberia and the Caucasus, believed to total 150,000, the Red Army in the Karelian Isthmus today launched a Big Push against the southern end of the Mannerheim Line.

Objective of the new offensive, which began in a snowstorm following an intense artillery barrage, is a drive through to Viborg, outflanking the Mannerheim Line.

According to neutral correspondents, the offensive has not yet succeeded in making any impression. The Finnish forces stood up to the first shocks of the assault magnificently.

### 40 TO 1

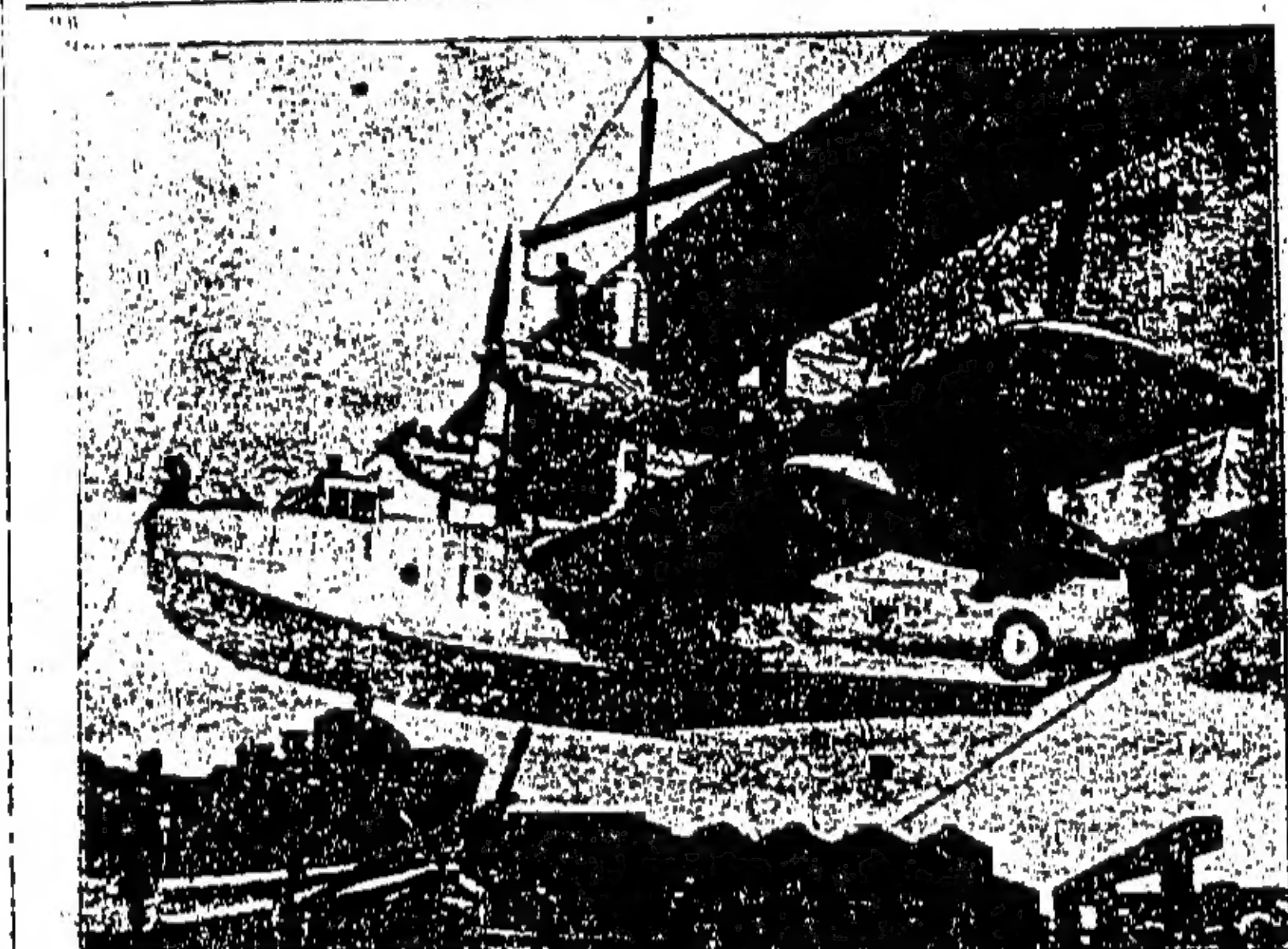
A Finnish commander is quoted as saying that the losses suffered by Finland and Russia are more or less in ratio to the population of the two countries.

### PLANES CAPTURED

RIGA, Dec. 30 (Reuter)—Finnish ski troops on the northern front yesterday captured seven damaged Soviet planes, according to a Helsinki report.

The planes had landed on frozen Lake Inari owing to lack of petrol.

How he and his crew of three, and the three passengers who were on his craft, spent 12 terrible hours in shark-infested waters, were given by the master of a Hongkong junk which got water-logged and sank in a sudden squall in Chinese waters not far from Hongkong, a few days ago. On their arrival in the Colony, after being rescued by another junk which brought them safely to port.



One of the big flying-boats of the Coastal Command North Sea patrol. Hunting enemy submarines and convoy work are also included in the duties of these aircraft.

## Wife To Pay Husband At The Front

A French soldier at the front is entitled to claim an allowance from his wife if she has a job for which she is reasonably paid or a private income. This was the ruling of a Paris judge recently.

A French private, an actor in civil life, wrote to the court: "My wife has failed to write me a single letter or send me any

money. It means I have to try to put up with my ordinary Army pay, which, as you know, is 75 centimes a day (about a penny).

Evidence was given that the wife was earning nearly £4 a week. The judge said: "There is a section of the French Civil Code which lays it down that husband and wife owe each other mutual fidelity and help in times of distress. A husband who has left home to fight for his country has the right to expect that his wife should send him what she can."

The wife was ordered to pay her husband £1 a month.

The latest list of subscriptions received to date for credit of the British Fund for Relief of Distress in China, Hongkong & South Branch, is as follows:—

Previously acknowledged: \$501-888.60.

Through B.F.R.D.C., H.K. & S.C. Branch Subscription Committee:—

Mr. Chan Lan Fong \$10; Mr. Chu Hung \$5; Mr. Chien Ho \$10. \$501-911.60.

A Chinese seaman from a ship in port was responsible for the saving of a life yesterday when an unemployed Chinese, who later gave his name to the Police as Pan Tau, jumped into the sea near the Kowloon from one of the ferry boats, in an alleged attempt to commit suicide.

The Past Students of Wah Yan College are holding their sixth "At Home" through the courtesy of Rev. Fr. R. W. Gallagher S.J., headmaster of the College, at their Alma Mater on Saturday, January 6, at 7 p.m.

Members of the Hongkong Peace Preservation Volunteer Corps are to parade on the South China Athletic Association ground, Caroline Hill, at 11 a.m. today. The Corps will be inspected by Hon. Sir Robert Kotewall, Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo, Mr. T. N. Chan, Hon. Mr. Li Tse-fong and Hon. Mr. W. N. Thomas Tam.

BUDAPEST, Dec. 30 (Reuter)—No meat, either fresh or tinned, will be available on Mondays and Fridays at butchers shops or restaurants in Hungary under an official order issued to-day.

## BIG PLANS FOR PRODUCING MORE FOOD

### GOVERNMENT AID FOR FARMERS

Farmers will benefit considerably from the Government's plans to expand home production of food. These were disclosed recently by Sir Reginald Dorman-Smith, the Minister of Agriculture.

Sir Reginald's statement took the form of a written reply to a question from Mr. Tom Williams, Socialist M.P. for the Don Valley Division of Yorkshire.

The present plan for growing more food for human consumption, and more animal feeding-stuffs, is to reclaim 1,500,000 acres of derelict land. Already 400,000 acres have been put to the plough.

Main features of the scheme now outlined by the Minister are:

Expansion of the sheep population and increased price per pound dressed carcass weight for sheep.

A guaranteed market for cattle, sheep and pigs, which will be bought by the Ministry of Food when rationing begins.

Fixed prices to ensure farmers a reasonable return on crops harvested next year; and

An extension until March 31, 1940, of the period within which ploughed-in grassland may qualify for the grant of £2 per acre.

The Minister's statement says: "It is necessary to plough up and grow crops on land on which such crops would not have been remunerative at pre-war prices."

### FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

A considerable expenditure per acre will be needed. The Government recognises that farmers will require assistance towards the initial outlay involved in these operations, and also assurance that the returns from farming under wartime policy will be adequate to carry out their national task.

It is proposed to make the actual payments of the £2 an acre grant as soon as it has been officially certified that the land itself complies with the conditions laid down, that the ploughing has been efficiently done, and it has been ensured that the land will be properly cultivated and used.

Referring to the farmers' anxiety regarding prices of wheat and other crops next year, Sir Reginald says:

"I am authorised on behalf of the Government to state that it is their intention when the time comes to fix these prices to ensure to the farmers a reasonable return."

When food rationing begins cattle will be purchased at fixed prices. The initial rates have not yet been fixed, but provision will be made for a seasonal rise in the spring to cover the higher cost of winter feeding of animals.

"It is too early yet," says the Minister, "to frame a definite policy in respect of pigs, poultry or eggs, in view of the large amount of cereals required for these forms of production, a large proportion of which has in the past been imported."

"It will be the aim of the Government to maintain and indeed to increase, our present production."

### INCREASED MEAT PRODUCTION

"To maintain or increase the production of cattle and sheep it will be necessary to increase the productivity of grassland, as well as to grow arable crops to take the place of imported feeding-stuffs."

"It is clearly necessary, as an insurance against a reduction in imported supplies, to take all production of meat."

"Since no substantial increase in numbers of fat cattle can be expected within the next two or three years, the best means of achieving this end quickly is by an expansion of the sheep population. I would, therefore, ask farmers to increase their flocks, by retaining old ewes and ewe lambs for breeding this winter."

"Prices will be raised, when the Minister of Food takes full control, to an initial figure of 11s per lb. dressed carcass weight for fat sheep to the end of December, and so as to give an average over the year of 1s per lb."

Under the supervision of Mrs. Kwan Man Wai, the War Relief Unit organised by the Present and Past Students of the Wah Yan College, is turning out medical requisites continuously with the generous co-operation of the ladies from the Italian Convent.



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## Horse Flesh In Pies And Sausages

Inquiries had shown that, during the past few months, horse flesh had been sold for human consumption at various centres in Victoria, Mr. Martin, Honorary Minister, told the Legislative Assembly recently.

Mr. Martin, who was explaining a bill to prohibit the slaughter and sale of horses for human consumption, said there had been no open sale of horse flesh, which had been used in the manufacture of articles such as pies and sausages.

It was not suggested that this trade had been on an extensive scale, as here were only a few persons in the meat industry who would stoop to such dishonourable practices.

### BUTCHERS FAVOUR BILL

Unless prohibiting legislation were passed, however, these practices might become more common.

When the shop of a butcher, who had since gone out of business, was inspected, 250lb. of horse flesh was found hanging in the sausage manufacturing room.

Mr. Martin added that the meat trade was in favour of the bill. At present there were no legal restrictions on the sale of horse flesh for human consumption, provided it was described correctly.

### INSPECTORS CRITICISED

Mr. Jewell (Labour) criticised meat inspectors for not having discovered horse flesh was being sold. It was their duty to protect the public, he said. They had failed to do so.

By imposing a ban on Werthebe beef, the Government had provided circumstances making possible the sale of horse flesh, Mr. Malby (U.A.P.) stated.

"The ban should be lifted or at least relaxed, he said. The second reading of the bill was agreed to and progress reported in committee.

## BIGGEST QUAKE CATASTROPHE SINCE YOKOHAMA DISASTER: DEATH ROLL ESTIMATED AT BETWEEN 40,000 AND 110,000

### Many Still Trapped Under Blazing Masses Of Ruins

ANKARA, Dec. 30 (Reuter)—No clear picture of the magnitude of the earthquake disaster in Anatolia can yet be formed. But this much is certain, it is the biggest quake catastrophe since Yokohama, 1923, and while the deathroll is variously estimated at between 40,000 and 110,000, the final figures may reveal casualties exceeding even those of the Japanese disaster.

Today, after 24 hours of feverish labour clearing the railway line at one point, the first relief train managed to get through to Erzurum, where 30 per cent. of the population is believed to have died.

ROADS IMPASSABLE. Communications with other stricken zones have not yet been re-established and some roads may remain impassable for weeks.

The relief work is terribly hampered by fierce blizzards in which hundreds who escaped the earthquake are dying hourly.

New shocks, slight in effect, were experienced today and more are foreshadowed.

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Australia and Eire have not yet Sweden.

Argentina and Chile also do not at present admit code with bell-gent countries.

Further that France, Algeria and French zone of Morocco do not admit Bentley's Second Phrase Code or A.B.C. Code but continue to admit with non-Empire countries codes already authorized.

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Name of code used must be indicated by sender and transmitted in service instructions in the following abbreviated form: viz. BENT, BENC, ABC, PET, respectively.

In telegrams for Denmark however the abbreviated name of the code must appear at the beginning of the text and be paid for as one word.

The use of abbreviated addresses is still prohibited in telegrams to and from Empire countries both in address and signature.

## SOFTBALL RESULTS

The following are the results of the softball matches in both the Ladies' and Men's Leagues.

### LADIES' LEAGUE

	R	H	E
Recreio	9	9	2
Panthers	5	10	4

### MEN'S LEAGUE

	R	H	E
Recreio "A"	11	16	1
Baseball Club	6	4	1
Mindanao	24	22	5
M.G. Coy.	2	10	11
Balleclub	4	5	6
Chung Hwa	3	5	2
Mindanao	20	18	3
C.B.A.	2	8	4



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## STRAIN OF AERIAL FIGHTING

A remarkable first-hand account of the sensations of air pilots when engaged in battle in modern conditions is given in the technical paper Les Ailes by one of the French airmen who took part in the fight between nine Curtiss machines and 27 Messerschmitts on November 6.

Of the nine enemy machines brought down this pilot accounted for two, the first after five minutes' fighting, the second after 20 minutes. One of the German pilots jumped clear with his parachute and came down near the Maginot Line. The other enemy machine fell in flames in a small pine wood.

Particularly noticeable is the emphasis placed by the French pilot on the rapid alterations in height and the terrific accelerations to which the body is subjected when the speeds in the dive are going up to 400 miles an hour and more. The combats ranged between ground level and 16,000ft.

## SMALL CIRCLE

When seeking to outmanoeuvre an opponent the pilot tries to turn in as small a circle as possible, while keeping the speed up, and in consequence the centrifugal loads go up with a rush. A turn with the wings about vertical produces accelerations about five times gravity. The pilot feels himself crushed down into his seat with almost unbearable force, yet all the time, as this young French airman writes, "the dreadful thing is that you know you must keep a clear sight on the enemy at all costs; you must watch him and yet keep looking behind to guard against attack from the rear, while the sights are being trained on the machine in front."

"You have the impression that your head will burst, that your eyes will start from their sockets, but somehow you continue to see."

It is worth noting that these experiences are almost a replica of those known to the fighting pilots of the war of 1914.

The speeds and rates of height change are much greater now, but the turns are made on a much bigger radius so that in all probability the accelerations to which the pilots are subjected are about the same.

## WAR SPOILS ON EXHIBITION

WUYUAN, Dec. 31 (Central).—Some 50 items of spoils of war seized from the Japanese during the recent engagement at Paotow are being exhibited at an undisclosed place in the rear, attracting large crowds of people. The exhibits included heavy guns, field pieces, heavy and light machineguns, Japanese and "Manchukuo" flags, and rifles.



British and French soldiers are seen above sharing a meal.

## CHRONOLOGICAL TABLE OF H.K. EVENTS, 1939

The following is a chronological table of events in the Colony during the year 1939:—

## JANUARY

- 1—New Year's Honours.—Mr. R. M. Henderson, C.B.E., Mr. M. F. Key, O.B.E., Mr. A. K. Taylor, M.B.E., Mr. Sung Teh-man, I.S.O.
- 4—Annual inspection of the Royal Navy at Happy Valley
- 12—Fire at Nos. 135-137 Main Street East, Shaokwan. Damage \$10,000.
- 15—Fire at godown at No. 360 Hennessy Road. Damage \$17,000.
- 17—Lam Park-sang (Lin Pel-sheng), one of Wang Ching-wei's secretaries, was attacked in Des Voeux Road Central by Chan Shek-lam who was sentenced to 15 years' imprisonment at the Criminal Sessions on March 22. While in Hongkong Prison, Chan Shek-lam was murdered by a fellow-prisoner, Man Shiu, on August 26. Man Shiu was sentenced to death at the Criminal Sessions on October 22 and was hanged in Hongkong Prison on November 22.
- 22—New Central British Association Club house at King's Park opened.
- 25—Hongkong, Burma and Yunnan linked by air agreement.
- 27—Death of Mr. I. W. Kew.
- 29—Death of Dr. J. S. Guizar.

## FEBRUARY

- 2—Breconshire (10,000 tons), biggest ship to be built in the Colony, launched at Taikeo Dockyard.
- 3—Mr. E. Cook, M.B.E., Chief Manager of the Kowloon Docks, invested with Order of Knight Commander of the Crown of Italy by Italian Consul-General.
- 4—Yiu Mei-mei, dancing girl of the Emporium Ballroom, ended her life by swallowing an overdose of opium.
- 9—Professor C. A. Middleton-Smith, M.S.C., Talkoo Professor of Engineering at the Hongkong University, retired.
- 13—Wong Shu-jun, alias Li San-hei, 24, described as a military officer, was sentenced to 14 years' hard labour at the Criminal Sessions on charge of shooting at Det-Sergt. H. R. Terrett, of the Hongkong Police, on December 2, 1938, at the Wing On Bank building, with intent to do him grievous bodily harm.
- 13—100 per cent. crime increase in four years revealed in armed robbery trial at the Criminal Sessions.
- 14—Death of Mr. Hin Wong, China's pioneer journalist in the English language.
- 21—Japanese bombed Shumchun.
- 22—Death of Mr. F. X. D'Almada, sen.

## MARCH

- 3—Boeing Clipper (314) of Pan American Airways arrived on Shakedown flight.
- 6—16-foot typhoon found near Wongne-chung Gap Sub-station.
- 8—A.R.P. Exhibition held in Kowloon.
- 19—Dog Show held at St. John's Place.
- 22—Mr. G. E. Dudley, Secretary of W. S. Bailey and Co., met his death under tragic circumstances.
- 27—George H. Huang, student of Far East Flying Training School, missing on flight. Returned a few days later.
- 29—Eleven weddings at the Registry, Supreme Court.
- 30—P. & O. m.v. Canton and M.M. Marechal Joffre in collision in fog 100 miles north of Hongkong.

## APRIL

- 14—Rear-Admiral A. J. L. Murray appointed to newly-created post of the Fifth Cruiser Squadron, China Station.

- 15—to 20—Frequent thunderstorms some accompanied by continuous heavy rainfall.
- 24—Leung Po and Sin Tau seamen of the Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Co's s.s. Sui Tai presented with Bellini Medal for bravery.

## MAY

- 6—Genevieve Tobin, film actress, arrived.
- 7—Shark caught outside of Lyceum Pass by Mr. Yong Kok-chih, of the Sun Company.
- 30—Four Chinese, a man, his wife, son, and daughter, brutally chopped to death at No. 30 Cross Street, Wanchai.
- 30—Robbery at goldsmith's shop, No. 449 Shanghai Street. A woman was shot and killed by stray bullet in the course of exchange of fire between police and robbers.

## JUNE

- 5—Gun duel in Lee Yuen Street, East Central district. Robber killed; Detective Wan Man was wounded and died subsequently.
- 9—King's Birthday Honours.—C.B.E.—Professor K. H. Digby; M.B.E.—Capt. J. S. Rodriguez, R.N.V.D.C.
- 9—Dance hostesses at Capitol, West Point, walked out on strike.
- 10—Diocesan Boys' School students threatened walk-out following dissatisfaction over appointment of a Japanese subject as Head Prefect.
- 22—Town Planning Bill became law.

## JULY

- 3—Fire at Refugee Camp, King's Park. No casualties.
- 5—Ho King, 62-year-old American-born Chinese woman, murdered by robbers at 1, Jones Street, Causeway Bay.
- 9—Wong Yin-shan, former sub-editor of Tin Lam Po, was shot dead in busy section of Yaumati district. The motive for the crime was believed to be political.
- 12—Application for annulment of adjudication order against Chao Po-sien dismissed at Supreme Court.
- 15—Picnic pavilion at Silver Mine Bay opened.
- 10—Chow Sum, a young man from Shanghai, was drowned at the S.C.A.A. pavilion, North Point.
- 11—Sit-down strike of Chinese compositors and printers.
- 13—Pilot Officer D.E. Bryan-Gower and Sergt. J. Ogden killed in R.A.F. plane crash in Tylam Bay, opposite Stanley.
- 25—V.R.C. to be reconstructed at cost of \$24,000.
- 27—Compulsory black-out exercise.
- 27—Compulsory Service Bill became law.

## AUGUST

- 2—Sub-Inspector J.H.E. Edwards, of the H.K. Police, was sentenced to nine months' hard labour on charge of demanding money from a No. 1 carpenter of the Kowloon Docks.
- 4—Lt. R.G.H.G. Eyre was sentenced to be reprimanded for stranding of M.T.B. No. 12 at Crooked Harbour on June 20.
- 9—Lt. H.F.O. Hale was sentenced to be reprimanded for grounding of H.M.S. Tarantula on July 11 while on a trip from Canton. Capt. F.C. Flynn, S.N.O. West River, was similarly sentenced.
- 15—Radio-telephone service between Hongkong, Manila and Chungking opened.
- 17—Shataukok occupied by Japanese.
- 22—Shum Soong, alleged spy in the service of the Japanese and nephew of Wang Ching-wei, murdered in Wyndham Street.

- 22—First prosecution under new communication Ordinance.
- 30—Funeral of Mr. W.W. Hirst, Manager of the Steam Laundry.
- 29—New hostel for women students of Hongkong University opened.

## SEPTEMBER

- 6—Fire at No. 35 Des Voeux Road West. Damage \$16,000.
- 11—Record enrolment of first year students at H.K. University.
- 11—Five men injured when live shell exploded at No. 202 Third Street, Salyingpun.
- 13—Rumoured strife in St. John Ambulance Brigade.
- 14—Hongkong Branch of British Red Cross Society and the Order of St. John War Organisation formed at Government House. Hongkong Jockey Club opened fund with donation of \$50,000.
- 21—Compulsory black-out exercise.
- 25—Fire at timber yard in Victoria Road, Kennedy Town.
- 28—Plaque to the memory of the late Rev. T. W. Pearce, O.B.E., L.L.D., father of the Hon. Mr. T.E. Pearce, unveiled in Common Room of Morrison Hall.

## OCTOBER

- 4—Sincere Company fined \$1,000 for contravening Food Control Regulations. Wing On Company similarly fined a week later.
- 4—Six men, found guilty of murder, were hanged within six hours in Hongkong Prison.
- 5—\$5,000 robbery at No. 49 Connaught Road Central, second floor.
- 12—H.E. the Governor announced Income Tax for Hongkong at Budget meeting.
- 16—Fire at Castle Peak Road.
- 18—Flight-Lieut. R.C.S. Allen, of the Royal Air Force, Kai Tak, was drowned in bathing pool of the U.S.R.C.
- 23—Fire at No. 37 Pottinger Street.
- 24—River steamer Fatsan beached after striking uncharted submerged rock eight miles from Castle Peak.

## NOVEMBER

- 8—Hermelin launched at the Kowloon Docks.
- 9—King's Police Medal awarded to Police Constable Tam Chum.
- 27—Eight killed in fire at No. 468 Queen's Road West. Inquiry held Dec. 15.
- 21—Pa. Ying-han, queen of West Point sing-song girls, committed suicide.
- 21—R.C.S. Viti launched at Talkoo Dockyard.
- 22—Central calm of typhoon passed directly over Hongkong. Third November typhoon in 55 years.
- 29—Death of Mr. J.D. Bush, noted journalist and educator.
- 30—Eleven weddings at the Registry, Supreme Court.

## DECEMBER

- 1—67 watches, valued \$5,884, missing from Sun Company.
- 3—Fire at Nos. 482-483 Shanghai Street, 42 dead.
- 7—\$27,000 robbery at Stubbs Road.
- 7—High tribute was paid at the meeting of the Legislative Council to the Hon. Mr. Sydney Caine, who recently left the Colony, which he served as Financial Secretary for over two years, to return to England to take charge of the Economic Department of the Colonial Office, and to the Hon. Mr. Chau Tsun-nin, C.B.E., former Senior Chinese Unofficial Member, who has just retired in accordance with constitutional practice.
- 12—Fire at button factory, Nam On Street, Shaokwan.
- 17—Fire at Shek Kip Mei village.
- 17—First daylight A.R.P. exercise at Yau-mai.
- 19—Memorial service to Officers and men of H.M.S. Duchen, formerly on China Station, lost in a collision.
- 20—\$15,000 robbery at 172, Wellington Street.
- 27—Death of Mr. J.P. Ulderup.

## CHRONICLE OF WORLD EVENTS IN YEAR 1939

## JANUARY

- 1—Wang Ching-wei expelled from Kuomintang Party.
- 3—327 deaths in U. S. New Year holiday.
- 11—Mr. Chamberlain and Lord Halifax arrived in Rome on official visit to Signor Mussolini.
- 12—Mr. Roosevelt's special message on national defence.
- 13—Great bush fires in Australia—60 deaths.

## FEBRUARY

- 10—Pope Pius XI died.
- 22—General Franco made triumphant entry into Barcelona.

## MARCH

- 1—Fresh tension in Tientsin.
- 14—Czechoslovak Republic ended by Germany taking protectorate over Czech provinces.
- 21—M. Lebrun, President of France, received by H. M. the King on visit to London.
- 22—Mamel surrendered to German ultimatum.
- 28—Madrid surrendered to Gen. Franco.

## APRIL

- 8—Italians entered and occupied capital of Albania.

## MAY

- 6—Their Majesties the King and Queen sailed for Canada on the Empress of Australia.
- 26—Col. C. R. Spear, M.V.O., M.C., British Military Attache in China, detained by the Japanese authorities in Kalgan.

## JUNE

- 5—Ledwede Vincent Lawlor, 45, welder's assistant, fired shot at car in which Dukes of Kent was travelling in Belgrave Square. At Old Bailey on June 29, Lawlor was bound over on condition that he leave the country.
- 8—King and Queen greeted in Washington by President Roosevelt.
- 14—Japanese blockade of British Concession in Tientsin.
- 29—Lord Halifax gave grave warning to Germany.

## AUGUST

- 23—Soviet-German Non-Aggression Pact signed.
- 25—Appeal by Mr. Roosevelt and Pope Pius XII for peaceful settlement.
- 31—Slovakia occupied by 400,000 German troops.

## SEPTEMBER

- 1—Germany invaded Poland.
- 1—Donaldson liner Athena torpedoed off Hebrides.
- 4—British raiders bombed two German battleships at Kiel.
- 10—Canada declared war on Germany.
- 17—Bulgaria declared neutrality.
- 17—Soviet troops invaded Poland.
- 17—H.M.S. Courageous sunk by submarine—500 lives lost.

## OCTOBER

- 1—Warsaw entered by German troops.
- 14—H.M.S. Royal Oak torpedoed—about 800 lives lost.
- 19—Anglo-Turkish Pact signed.

## NOVEMBER

- 15—The Hongkong Government received from Sir Robert Ho Tung an offer to lend to H.M. Government in the United Kingdom the sum of £10,000 free of interest of two years. This generous offer was gratefully accepted by His Majesty's Government.
- 21—Terukuni Maru sunk off East Coast.
- 29—H.M.S. Rawalpindi sunk.
- 30—Soviet advance against Finland.

## DECEMBER

- 15—German pocket battleship Graf Spee scuttled after being damaged following battle with three British cruisers off Uruguay coast. Capt. Langsdorf, commander of the Graf Spee, committed suicide on Dec. 19. Commodore H. H. Harwood, of H.M.S. Exeter, which was damaged in the fight, was knighted and promoted Rear-Admiral.
- 19—The crack Nord-Deutscher Lloyd 32,000-ton liner Columbus, third biggest vessel of the German merchant fleet, elected to share the fate of the Graf Spee when she was intercepted by a British destroyer in the North Atlantic.

## CAUSE CELEBRE

In November, in London, judgment was given for Lord Rothermere in an action brought by Princess Stephanie Hohenlohe for breach of contract. Evidence given by the defendant showed that he had paid the Princess over £15,000 in six months. Sir William Jowitt, K.C., defended the action while the plaintiff was represented by Mr. Gilbert Beyfus, K.C.

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Telegraphic Transfer: 1/2 7/8  
Bank Bills, on demand 1/2 7/8  
Credits 4 months' sight 1/2 7/8

On Shanghai:—  
On demand 310  
On Singapore:—  
On demand 22 3/4

On Japan:—  
On demand 103 3/4  
On India:—  
Telegraphic Transfer: 82 1/2  
and demand

On New York:—  
Bank Bills, on demand 24 1/2  
Credits 60 days' sight 25 1/8

On Batavia:—  
On demand 43 5/8  
On Paris:—  
Bank Bills, on demand 1090  
Credits 4 months' sight 1145

On Saigon:—  
On demand 108 3/4  
On Manila:—  
On demand 49

On Bangkok:—  
On demand 149 1/2  
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## Market Report

## FROM ROZA BROS.

Dec. 30, 1939.  
Silver prices dropped 3/16 yesterday for both deliveries, the quotations being 22 1/2 for Ready and 22 1/16 for Forward. Silver prices reported India as having bought and speculators as having sold. The market was steady but quiet. American Silver was quoted at 34 3/4 for Spot.

The London New York cross-rate was quoted at 402 New York/London was quoted at 395 5/8.

## Market

Quiet.  
Sterling  
There were sellers at 1/2 15/16 January and 1/2 29/32 February/March, buyers at 1/2 31/32 Cash and 1/2 15/16 March.

U. S. Dollars  
Sellers at 24 5/8 Cash and 24 1/2 January, buyers at 24 11/16 Cash and 24 5/8 January.

Shanghai Dollars  
Some business was done at 320. At the close there were sellers at 318 for Spot.

Shanghai Market  
Sterling opened with sellers for Spot at 4 11/16 and towards the close sellers were quoted at 4 21/32 for Spot. U.S. opened with sellers for Spot at 7 11/16 and towards the close sellers for Spot were quoted at 7 21/32.

## Shanghai Exchange

Shanghai, Dec. 30 (Reuter).  
Official T.T. Rates  
London 0/4-1/4  
New York 6-7/8  
Japan 29-1/4  
India 23-1/2  
Paris 3.11  
Hongkong 28-1/4

Sellers  
Opening Closing  
Spot 0/4-11/16 0/4-21/32  
Dec. 0/4-11/16  
Jan. 0/4-37/64 0/4-39/64  
U.S. Dollars  
Spot 57-11/12 57-21/32  
Dec. 7-11/16  
Jan. 7-15/32 7-9/16  
Market—Quiet.

Merchant Rates  
Sterling, 0/4-21/32  
U.S. Dollars, 57-5/8  
Silver Duty Rate

The Central Bank of China's rate on London at 10 a.m. today was 1/2-1/2d., unchanged from yesterday.  
The Equalisation rate was 20 per cent.

## New York Exchange

New York, Dec. 30 (Reuter).  
T.T. on London (Opening Rate), 3.95-3/4.

## Calcutta Exchange

Calcutta, Dec. 30 (Reuter).  
T.T. on Japan, 80-3/8.

## SILVER MARKET

BOMBAY SILVER  
Bombay, Dec. 30 (Reuter).  
Market—Steady. Offtake 100 bars  
Indian Mint Silver  
Ready 60-14  
Jan. 6 Settlement 60-14  
Feb. 3 Settlement 61-06

## LONDON METALS EXCHANGE

London, Dec. 29 (Reuter).  
TIN  
buyers sellers  
Standard, Cash 247-3/4 248  
Standard,  
3 months 247-3/4 248  
Standard,  
Settlement Price 247-3/4  
Strait 273 nominal.

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HONGKONGCOMMODITY MARKET REVIEW  
(FROM PAYNE & CO.)

New York, Dec. 30, 1939.

SINGAPORE RUBBER		Previous close December 30	
		Buyers	Sellers
S P O T		Opening	Closing
JAN-MARCH	38 1/2	37-7/8	37-7/8
APRIL-JUNE	37-3/4	37-5/8	37-5/8
	36-1/4	36-1/8	36-1/4

The market was quiet.

## LONDON RUBBER

Previous close Today's close	
buyers	sellers
S P O T	
JAN-MARCH	11-5/8
APRIL-JUNE	11-9/16
	11-9/16

NEW YORK COTTON: Market Closed.

NEW YORK RUBBER: Market Closed.

CHICAGO WHEAT: Prices are firm. Bullish influences were: Unfavourable Australian and Argentine crop advices, heavy flour sales, little precipitation and the strength of the cash markets. The weekly weather review indicates cold weather with no rains over the week-end which inspired enough buying to set off hedging and realizing.

CHICAGO CORN: Good exports, the cold weather in the West and small country offerings are all helpful factors. Larger livestock herds will also increase current farm consumption.

NEW YORK STOCKS: Previous close, 149.99; Today's close, 150.34; Change, up 35.

## NEW YORK COMMODITY MARKET

(By Courtesy of Messrs. Swan, Culbertson &amp; Fritz and S. E. Levy &amp; Company)

		Prev. To-day's	
		High	Low
		Close	Change
New York Cotton, Mar.	104 1/2	104 1/2	104 1/2
New York Rubber, Mar.	104 1/2	104 1/2	104 1/2
Chicago Wheat, May	58 1/2	58 1/2	58 1/2
Chicago Corn, May	58 1/2	58 1/2	58 1/2
New York Hides, Mar.	15.35	15.35	15.35

NEW YORK COTTON Close Opening Closing Change

January 11.07/07  
March 11.00/00  
May 10.61/64  
July 10.27/29  
September 10.54/54

October 10.54/54

November 9.87/87

December 11.36/36

Spot 11.36/36

Volume (in contract of 100 bales each)

NOTE: January cotton, last notice day—17-1-1940.

## NEW YORK RUBBER

March 18.94/94  
May 18.75/75  
July 18.50/50  
September 18.43/43

CHICAGO WHEAT

May 103 1/2/103 1/2  
July 100 1/2/100 1/2  
September 99 1/2/99 1/2

Friday's sales: 23,641,000 bushels.

## CHICAGO CORN

May 58 1/2/58 1/2  
July 58 1/2/58 1/2  
September 58 1/2/58 1/2

WINNIPEG WHEAT

December 84 1/2/84 1/2  
January 84 1/2/84 1/2  
February 84 1/2/84 1/2

NEW YORK HIDES

March 15.53/53  
June 15.50/50  
New York Official 34-3/4  
NY-London Cross Rate 3.95-5/8

unquoted 3.95 7/8

## LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

(REUTER'S SERVICE)

London, Dec. 29.  
The following quotations are the middle prices at the close of the market in London. All quotations are subject to confirmation and no responsibility is assumed for errors in transmission.

2

War Loan, 3 1/2 (Red after 1952) 93-7/16

Canton-K'loon Rly. 5% 17

Chinese 4 1/2 Gold Loan, 1898 (Brit. Issue) 56

Chinese 5% Gold Bonds, 1925-47 48

Chin. 4 1/2 Anglo-French Loan, 1908 45

Chinese 5% Crisp Loan, 1912 25

Chinese 5% Reorg. Loan, 1913 (Ldn. Is.) 35 1/2

Chinese 8% Ster. Notes, 1925 (Vickers) 13

Chin. Imperial Rly. 5% Loan 55

Hankow Rly. 5% 1911 17

Hankow Rly. 5% 1911 (German Issue) 18

Lung Tsing &amp; U. Hai Rly. 5% 1913 18

Shanghai Rly. 5% 1911 20

Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5% (Brit. Stpd.) 14

Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5% (German Stpd.) 14

Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5% (Ger. Stpd. Supl. Loan) 14

Jap. 5% Ster. Loan, 1907 50-1/2

Jap. 5% Ster. Loan, 1924 57

Ger. 7% Intl. Loan, 1924 53-3/4

Chartered Bank 8 1/2

H.K. &amp; S'hai Bank (Ldn. Reg.) 81-1/2

H.K. &amp; S'hai Bank (Col. Reg.) 84

Chinese Eng. &amp; Mining (bearer) 17 1/2

Chosen Corporation 6 1/2

Pekin Syndicate 1 1/2

S'hai Elec. Constr. Co. 13

S'hai Waterworks "A" 12

Gula Kalumpung Rubber 22 1/2

Allied Ironfounders 14 1/2

Asso. &amp; Elec. Industries 38 1/2

Austin Motors, ord. 18 1/2

Cable &amp; Wireless, New Form, ord. 56 1/2

B-A. Tob. (bearer) 98 3/8

Vercattell Bank 11 1/2

Camell Laird, ord. 7 1/4

Mexican Eagle 6 7/8

Courtauld's 38 1/2

Distillers 66 3/8

Dunlop Rubber 30 3/8

Gen. Electric (England) 74 7/8

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE  
QUOTATION

STOCKS		STOCKS	
Dec. 30		Dec. 30	
Adams Express	8 1/2	Lakey Foundry & Mac	3 1/2
Allegheny Steel Co.	21 1/2	Libbey-Owens-Ford Glass	52
Allied Stores	8 1/2	Lockheed Aircraft	31 1/2
Allis Chalmers	40 1/2	Loew's Inc.	35 1/2
Aluminum Ltd.	98	Mack Truck Inc.	27 1/2
Amerada Corp.	113 1/2	Manhattan Shirt Co.	40 1/2
Amer. Can.	113 1/2	Martin, Glen L.	40 1/2
Amer. Cyanamid B.	113 1/2	McKesson & Robbins, pld.	109 1/2
Amer. Foreign Pwr.	113 1/2	Montgomery Ward	55 1/2
Amer. Gas & Elec.	38 1/2	National Aviation	16 1/2
Amer. Locomotive	21 1/2	Nat. Dairy Products	24 1/2
Amer. Metals Co.	24 1/2	Nat. Distillers	11 1/2
Amer. Radiator	104	National Gypsum	19 1/2
Amer. Rolling Mill	16 1/2	National Lead	16 1/2
Amer. S'ing and Ring Co.	50 1/2	Nat. Power & Light	8 1/2
Amer. Sugar Refining	18 1/2	National Steel Corp.	71 1/2
Amer. Tel. & Tel.	170 1/2	Nat. Supply Corp.	9
Amer. Tobacco "B"	86 1/2	New York Central	18 1/2
Amer. Waterworks	11 1/2	Niagara Hudson Power	5 1/2
Anacosta Copper	28 1/2	N. American Aviation	25 1/2
Atchafalpa, T. & S. Fe.	28 1/2	North American Co.	22 1/2
Auburn Motors	23	Northern Pacific	8 1/2
Baltimore & Ohio	14 1/2	Owens-Illinois Glass Co.	61 1/2
Barber Asphalt Co.	12 1/2	Pacific Gas & Elec.	33 1/2
Barnsdahl Oil	31	Pacific Lighting	48 1/2
Bendix Aviation	80 1/2	Packard Motors	31 1/2
Bethlehem Steel	14 1/2	Paramount Pictures	7 1/2
Bills & Co.	21 1/2	Pennsylvania R.R.	23 1/2
Boeing Airplane Co.	25 1/2	Phillips-Dodge	40 1/2
Borg-Warner	22 1/2	Phillips Petroleum	41 1/2
Biggs Manufacturing	14 1/2	Pittsburgh Coke & Iron	8 1/2
Brooklyn-Manhattan Trans.	49 1/2	Public Service of N.J.	40 1/2
Brooklyn-Manhattan S.	49 1/2	Pullman, Inc.	30 1/2
Canadian Pacific Rwy.	42 1/2	Pure Oil	8 1/2
Case J. I.	73	Radio Corp. of Am.	5 1/2
Celanese	29 1/2	Reading Company, Com.	16
Chesapeake & Ohio	41 1/2	Reading Company, 1st pld.	25
Chrysler Corp.	39 1/2	Remington Arms Co., Inc.	42 1/2
Climax-Molybdenum Co.	82 1/2	Republic Aviation Corp.	6
Colts Patent Fire-Arms	6-3/4	Republic Steel	22 1/2
Columbia Gas & El.	87 1/2	Revere Cop. & Brass Inc.	14 1/2
Columbia 6% "A" pfd.	47 1/2	Reynold Tobac. "B"	38 1/2
Commercial Credit Co.	47 1/2	Richfield Oil	7 1/2
Com. & Southern (ord.)	14	Safeway Stores	46 1/2
Consolidated Edison	30	Schenley Distillers	11 1/2
Consolidated Oil	7 1/2	Schenley Distillers 5 1/2 pld.	11 1/2
Continental Can.	42	Sears Roebuck	85 1/2
Continental Oil	23 1/2	Shell Union Oil	12 1/2
Copperweld Steel	16 1/2	Socoma-Vacuum Oil	12 1/2
Corn Products	64 1/2	Southern Pacific	14 1/2
Curtiss Wright (C.)	10 1/2	Southern Rly 5 1/2 pld.	34 1/2
Curtiss Wright "A"	29 1/2	Sperry	45 1/2
Deere & Co.	23 1/2	Spicer Manufacturing Co.	33 1/2
Distillers Corp. Seagrams	18 1/2	Standard Brands	6
Douglas Aircraft	82 1/2	Stand Gas & Elec.	24
Du Pont de Nemours	182	Standard Oil of California	24 1/2
Eagle Picher Lead	11 1/2	Standard Oil of N.J.	43 1/2
Eaton Mfg. Co.	30	Stone & Webster	11 1/2
Elec. Autolite	37 1/2	Studebaker Corp.	9 1/2
Elec. Bond & Share	7 1/2	Swift International	32
Elec. Bond & Share 4 1/2 pld.	64 1/2	Technicolor	12 1/2
Elec. Bond & Share 5 1/2 pld.	31 1/2	Texas Corp.	44 1/2
Elec. Power & Light 3 1/2 pld.	19 1/2	Texas Gulf Sulphur	32 1/2
Flintkote	58 1/2	Trans-America Co.	6
Gen. American Trans.	58 1/2	20th Cent. Fox	12
Gen. Electric	40 1/2	20th Cent. Fox 1 1/2 pld.	12
Gen. Motors	54 1/2	Union Carbide & Carbon	86 1/2
Gen. Railway Signal	18 1/2	Union Carbide & Carbon	94 1/2
Gen. Tire & Rubber	21 1/2	United Aircraft	46 1/2
Glidden Co.	19 1/2	United Airlines Trans.	16
Goodrich (B.F.)	19 1/2	United Corp.	28
Goodrich 5 1/2 pld.	23	United Corp. 3 1/2 cum pld.	39 1/2
Goodyear Tire & Co.	23	United Gas Corp.	14
Great Northern Iron Ore	17 1/2	United Gas Improvement	14 1/2
Great Northern Rly. pld.	26 1/2	U.S. Industrial Alcohol	23 1/2
Great Western Sugar	27 1/2	U.S. Rubber	40 1/2
Greyhound Corp.	16 1/2	U.S. Rubber 3 1/2 pld.	112 1/2
Hercules Powder Co.	89	U.S. Steel	69 1/2
Homestake Mining	58 1/2	Vanadium	33 1/2
International Harvester	61	Walworth Co.	5 1/2
Int. Nickel	38 1/2	Warner Bros. Pict.	3 1/2
J. & J. Tel. & Tel.	48	Westinghouse Elec.	118 1/2
Johns-Manville	72 1/2	Woodward Iron Corp.	23 1/2
J. & Laughlin Steel 7 1/2 pld.	65	Chase National Bank	—
Kennecott Copper	37 1/2	National City Bank	—

\*—bid. —ex. div.

## DOW JONES AVERAGE

1939		Dec. 31, 1939	
High	Low	High	Low
166.92	121.41	160.78	149.81
35.90	24.14	31.81	31.01
27.70	20.70	25.32	25.33
22.23	14.51	89.81	90.04
65.67	45.69	63.03	—

Business Done—680,000 shares

Guinness (A) Son &amp; Co. 81/10 1/2

Hawker Siddeley Aircraft 14 7/8

Bristol Aeroplane 13/10 1/2

Imperial Chemical Ind. 30/8

Imperial Tobacco 118/9

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Rolls Royce 91/3

Leyland Motors 87/9

Tate &amp; Lyle 57

Turner &amp; Newall 65/7 1/2

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Armstrong Stevens, ord. 14

Pressed Steel, com. 16 1/2

Vickers, ord. 16 7/8



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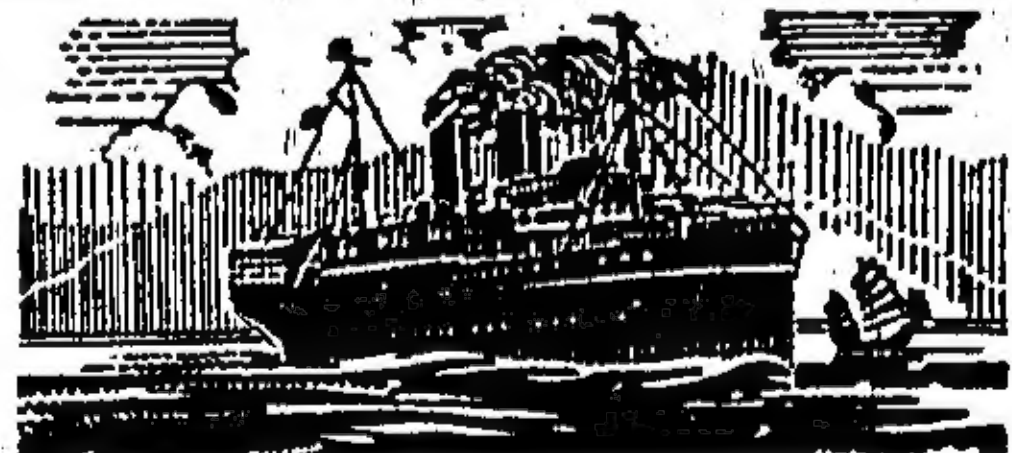
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Commencing on Jan. 1, 1940, therefore, the charges for meter rents and flushing fees will be billed quarterly and added to the same account as that for chargeable water.

# WEATHER REPORT

Hongkong Royal Observatory  
10 a.m. December 31.  
Barometer (at sea level), 30.28 ins.  
Temperature, 64 F.  
Humidity, 50 per cent.  
Wind Direction, ESE.  
Wind Force (Beaufort), 1.  
Temperature: maximum yesterday 68 F.  
Temperature, minimum last night 54 F.  
Rainfall for 24 hrs., ending 10 a.m. today, nil.  
Total rainfall since January 1st 36.70 ins.  
Against an average of 85.12 ins.  
Sunset tonight 5.49 p.m.  
Sunrise tomorrow, 7.03 a.m.

# HONG KONG TIDE-TABLE

From 1 to 7 Jan. 1940

Days of Week	Date of Month	High Water		Low Water	
		Hong Kong Standard Time	Height	Hong Kong Standard Time	Height
Mon.	1	h. m.	h. m.	h. m.	h. m.
		00.50	0.9	07.44	1.6
		14.35	0.9	19.24	3.8
Tues.	2	01.05	0.0	0.31	3.1
		15.29	0.5	21.09	3.6
Wed.	3	03.21	0.3	19.25	2.6
		16.31	0.9	23.10	3.4
Thur.	4	04.55	4.7	10.17	3.0
		17.26	6.4	—	—
Fri.	5	06.33	4.4	00.37	2.7
		18.19	6.8	11.12	3.4
Sat.	6	07.55	4.4	01.35	2.1
		19.08	7.0	12.05	3.6
Sun.	7	0.57	4.3	02.50	1.6
		19.51	7.4	12.52	3.3

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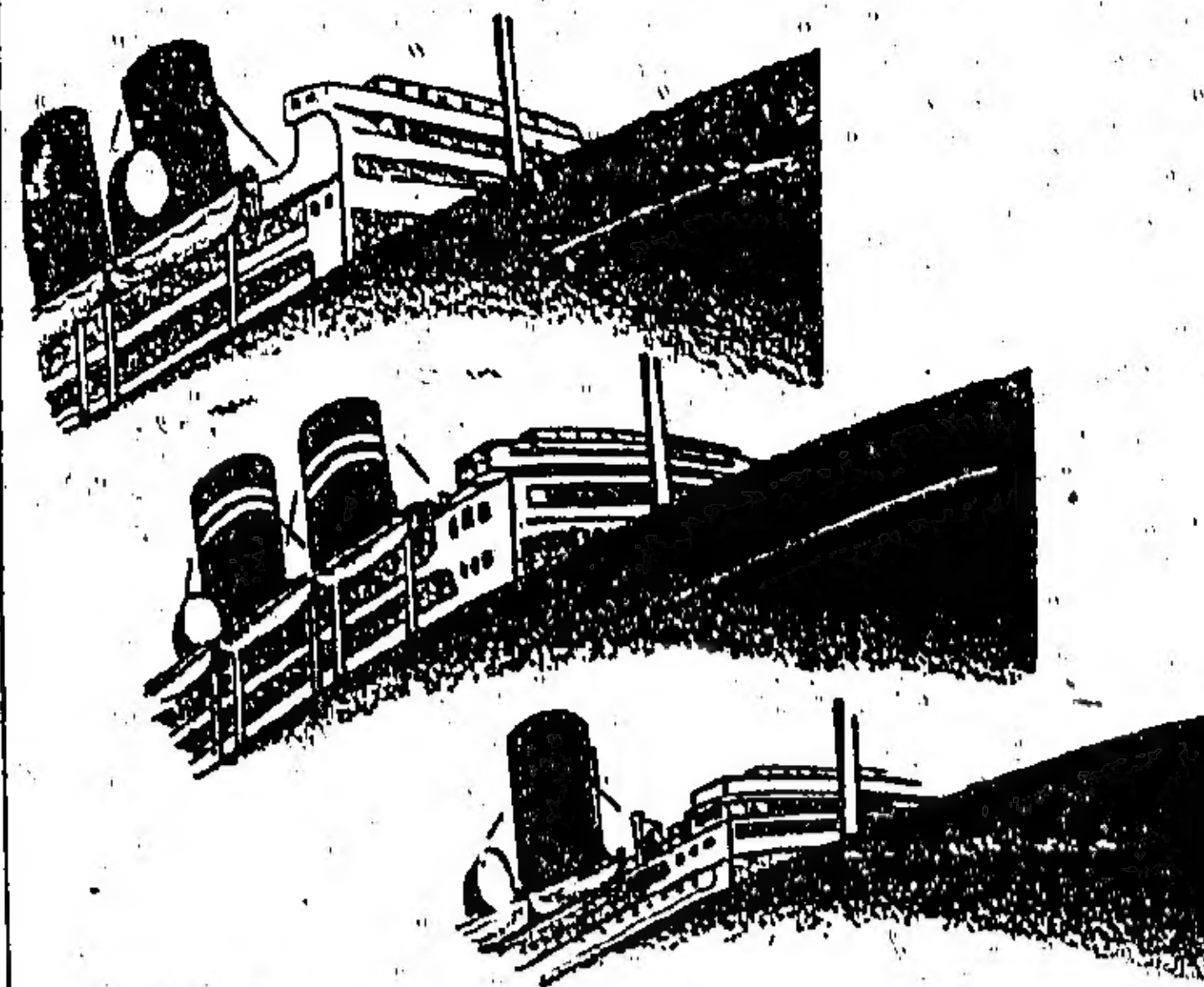
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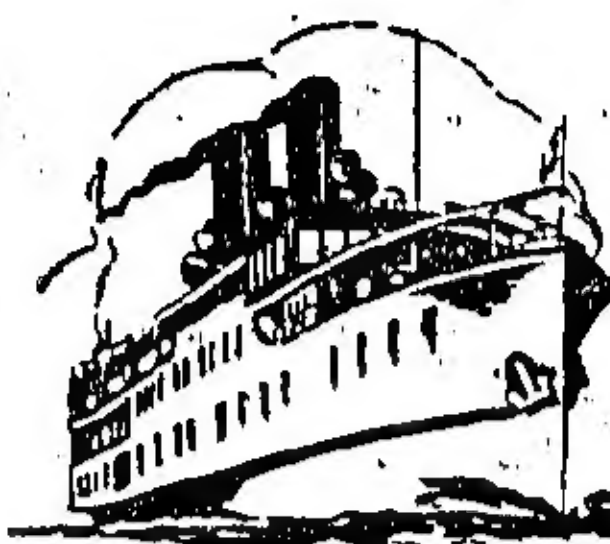
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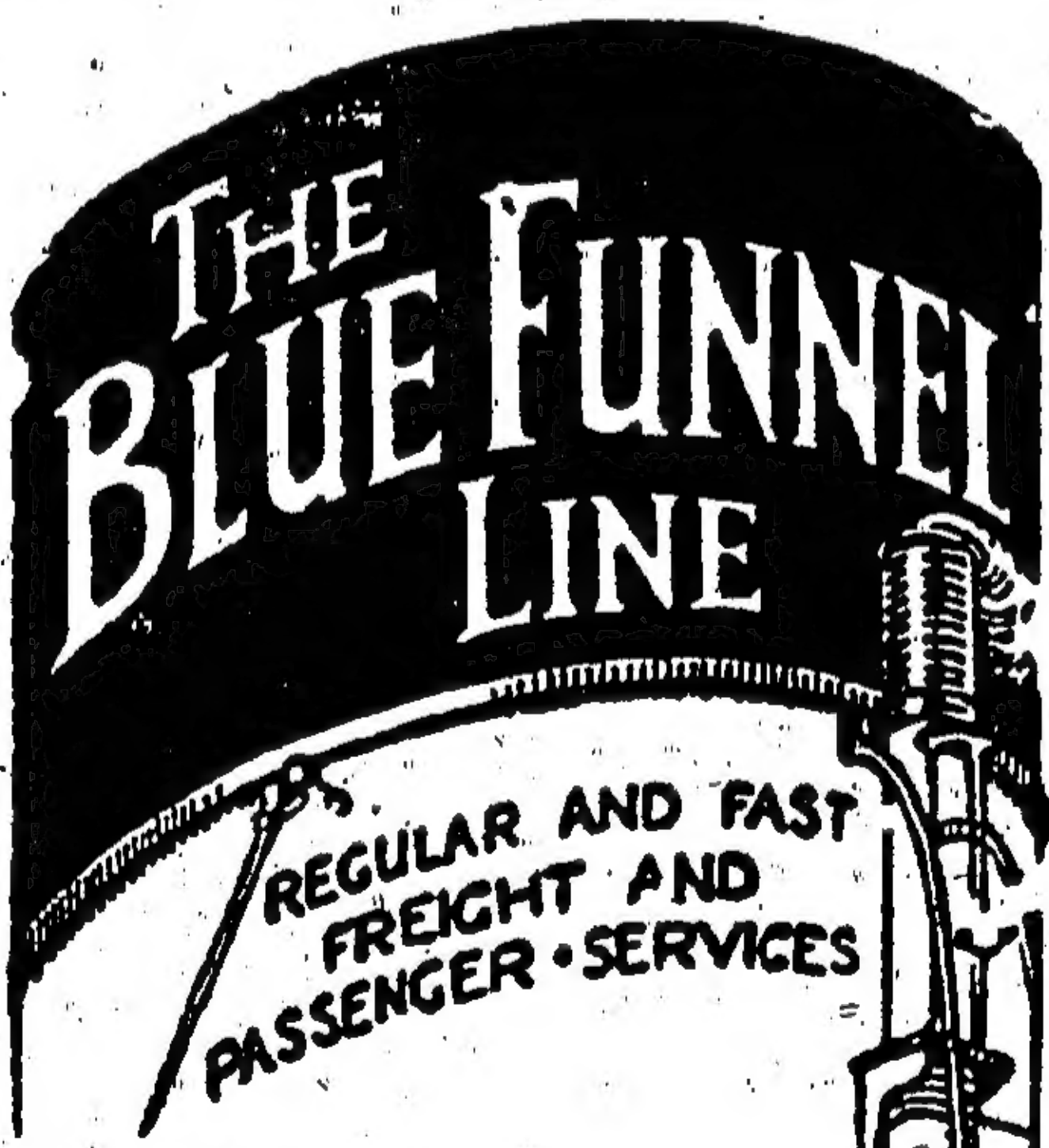
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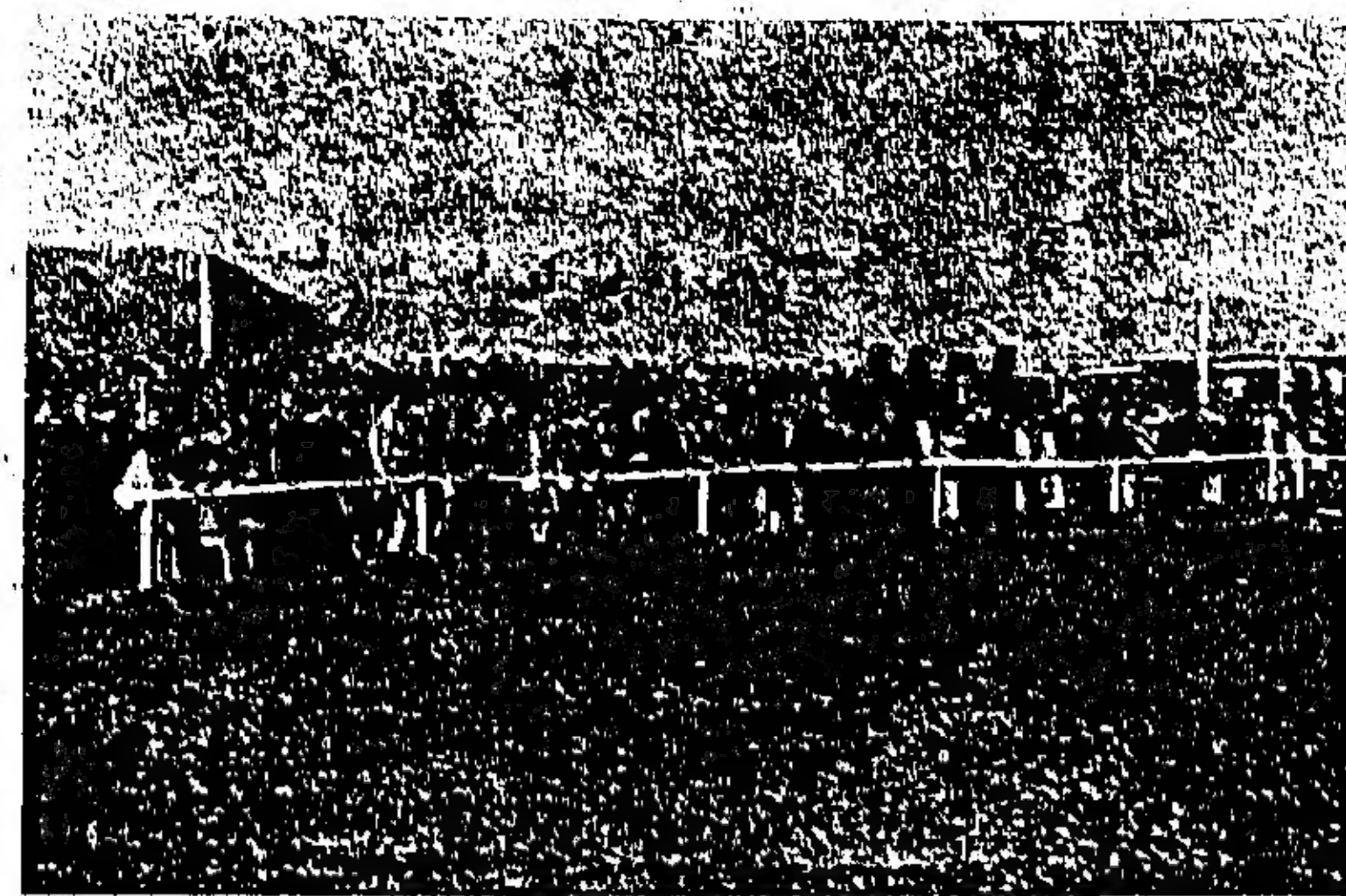
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Crowds at the rails during the Fanling race meeting on  
Boxing Day.

## Steel Coulson Billiards, Snooker & Darts League

Following are latest results  
in the Steel Coulson and H.B.  
League:

### BILLIARDS

Naval Police 0: Roach 147, Batten  
80, Nichols 129, C.C.C. 3: Hongkong  
150, Zimmern 150, Kitchell 150.  
C. & P. O. R. C. 3: Grant 150,  
Davies 150, Honeywell 150; Prison  
Officers Club 0: Gowland 95, Hodge  
58, Gooding 134.  
D. R. C. 3: Lewis 150, Jackson  
150, Collins 150; Hongkong Police  
0: Ellis 118, Pile 103, Pope 144.  
H.B. Club 3: Ng 150, Marcel 150.  
Low 150, R. E. Sgts Mess 0: Jack-  
son 69, Blackman 73, Gales 48.

### LEAGUE TABLE TO DATE

	P.	W.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Civil Service	9	9	0	23	4	23
H.B. Club	9	9	0	23	4	23
D.R.C.	9	7	2	19	8	19
C.C.C.	10	6	4	18	12	18
H.K. Police	9	5	5	14	13	14
C. & P.O.R.C.	9	4	5	13	14	13
Prison O. C.	10	4	6	13	17	13
Garrison "A"	9	4	5	12	15	12
Talkoo Club	8	4	4	11	13	11
R.A.F. Sgts. Mess	8	3	5	10	14	10
R.E. Sgts. Mess	9	2	7	7	20	7
Naval Police	9	1	8	7	20	7
Garrison "B"	8	0	8	4	20	4

### SNookER

Naval Police 3: Brown 57, Mat-  
thews 63, Dempster 68; C.C.C. 0:  
Solins 38, Ladd 13, Lock 23.  
H.B. Club 1: Castilho 43, Low 64,  
Lee 31, R.E. Sgts. Mess 2: Brannon  
44, Rogers 50, Gales 56.  
C. & P.O.R.C. 3: Jennings 63,  
Horgan 48, West 49; Prison Officers  
Club 0: Hill 23, Marvin 44, Grind-  
ley 24.

## EIGHT BOUNDARIES IN ONE OVER

### LOCAL CRICKET RECORD

A local cricket record was  
set at Happy Valley on  
Saturday when D. J. N. An-  
derson, Kowloon Cricket Club  
opening batsman, hit V. C.  
Bond, of Civil Service, for  
eight boundaries in one over  
of the friendly match which  
was left drawn.

### BEST PERFORMANCES

The best batting performance of  
the day was P. T. Skipworth's 70  
for Free Foresters against the  
Hongkong Cricket Club at Chater  
Road, and the best bowling feat  
H. L. Ozorio's seven wickets for 73  
runs for Recoletto against Craigen-  
gower.

Scores in Saturday's cricket  
matches were:

### SENIOR DIVISION

At the Valley, Club de Recoletto  
beat Craigen-gower Cricket Club by  
54 runs. Club de Recoletto 129 (A.  
M. Rodrigues 61 not out, J. E.  
Noronha 21, F. R. Zimmern 4 for  
41, G. Winch 4 for 38), Craigen-  
gower C.C. 75 (A. T. Lee 27, A. P.  
Pereira, 3 for 19, H. L. Ozorio 7  
for 33).

At Sookunpoo, Indian Recrea-  
tion Club beat the University by  
five wickets, University 94 (C. N.  
Matthews 23, G. Hong Choy 23, A.  
R. Minu 5 for 45, A. M. Rumjahn  
4 for 25), Indian R.C. 115 for 6  
wickets (A. H. Rumjahn 31, N.  
Nazarin 39, M. el Arculli 29, G.  
Hong Choy 4 for 12).

At the Valley, Civil Service Cric-  
ket Club played to a draw with  
Kowloon Cricket Club. Kowloon  
C.C. 188 (D. J. N. Anderson 63, D.  
Hung 26, N. A. E. Mackay 36, W.  
L. Rapley 28, N. B. Whitley 4 for  
45, N. L. Smith 6 for 61), Civil  
Service C.C. 146 for 8 wickets (N. L.  
Smith 56, N. B. M. Whitley 22 not

D.R.C. 0: Jackson 31, Marsh 37,  
Smith 19; Hongkong Police 3:  
Bradwell 55, Pope 49, Ellis 83.

### LEAGUE TABLE TO DATE

	P.	W.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Naval Police	9	8	1	20	7	20
R.E. Sgts. Mess	9	7	2	19	8	19
C.S.C.C.	9	7	2	19	8	19
H.K. Police	9	6	3	18	9	18
Garrison "A"	9	6	3	17	10	17
Prison O. C.	10	4	6	14	16	14
C. & P.O.R.C.	9	3	6	13	14	13
H.B. Club	9	2	7	12	15	12
C.C.C.	10	4	6	10	20	10
R.A.F. Sgts. Mess	8	3	5	9	15	9
Garrison "B"	8	3	5	9	15	9
D.R.C.	9	3	6	9	18	9
Talkoo Club	8	2	6	5	19	5

Highest Break, Mr. Low (H.B.  
Club) 30.

### DARTS

C. & P.O.R.C. 3: Nott 2, Otway 2,  
Gentle 1, West 2, Jennings 1; Pri-  
son Officers Club 2: Vantall 0,  
Freeman 0, Asby 2, Grant 0, Mar-  
vin 2.  
Hongkong Police 5: Estall 2,  
Clark 2, Perkins 2, Pope 2, Taylor  
2; Dockyard R.C. 0: Crocock 0,  
Gralinger 1, Goodyer 0, Burnett 0,  
Smith 0.

### LEAGUE TABLE UP TO DATE

	P.	W.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
C. & P.O.R.C.	7	5	2	19	16	19
H.K. Police	6	4	2	18	12	18
R.A.F. Sgts. Mess	6	4	2	15	14	16
Garrison "A"	4	3	1	15	5	15
Naval Police	5	1	4	13	12	13
R.E. Sgts. Mess	5	3	2	11	14	11
Prison O. C.	5	1	4	9	16	9
D.R.C.	4	0	4	4	16	4

Highest game finish, Mr. Lowe  
(R.E. Sgts) 72. Highest score in  
three successive darts, Mr. Taylor  
(H.K.P.) 174.

## ALLIES' FINANCIAL STRENGTH

### U.S. COMPARISON WITH GERMANY

The Federal Reserve Board  
estimates that at the end of August  
the combined holdings of gold,  
dollar balances, and American  
securities by the British Empire  
and France — excluding direct  
investments in the United States —  
amounted to no less than \$8,440,-  
000,000 (\$1,888,000,000), while those  
of Germany were only \$160,000,000  
(\$32,000,000).

Thus the British Empire and  
France were in control of more than  
half all foreign countries' holdings  
of gold and dollar resources, the  
total of these being \$17,400,000,000.  
Of the British and French holdings  
\$5,775,000,000 were in the form of  
central reserves, \$1,265,000,000 in  
the form of dollar balances, and  
\$1,420,000,000 in the form of readily  
negotiable securities.

### JOHNSON ACT

In comparing the present situa-  
tion with that of 25 years ago the  
board notes that the Neutrality  
Act in November closed the Ameri-  
can capital market to belligerent  
Governments, and a number of  
other potential borrowers here as  
debarred under the Johnson Act;  
but on the other hand the dollar  
value of disposable international  
resources is much larger now than  
in 1914, perhaps twice as large.

The dollar value of foreign gold  
production, too, is three times as  
large. Moreover "there is a greater  
readiness now to use gold reserves."  
These facts become specially  
significant when it is recalled that  
in the World War little more than  
one-quarter of the export surplus  
of the United States was paid for  
through the sale in this country of  
gold and American securities held  
by foreigners, the remainder being  
covered by foreign borrowing here.

## UNCLAIMED TELEGRAMS

The following is a list of un-  
claimed telegram lying at Cable  
and Wireless Ltd. Hongkong  
Branch:

Scicluna, Shan Kwong, from  
Malta.  
T. Bennett, Hankow Road, Kow-  
loon from Sydney.  
Green, 45 Hillwood Road, Kow-  
loon from Colchester.  
Petty, Officer, Cloustonian Ad-  
miralty from Tunbridge Wells Stan-  
hopelines.  
Bolam, 41 Jubilee Buildings,  
Shumshu-pu, Kowloon from Alder-  
shot.

Lieut. Commander Nicholls, War-  
ship Sandpiper, c/o Chief Naval  
Officer from Perthsubwa.  
Gouchere, Royal Naval Hospital  
from Whitwellderby.  
Henderson, R.A.F. C. from Mar-  
low Bucks, Max.  
Mrs. Forbes, 25 Humphreys  
Building, Kowloon from London.  
Lamb, 178 Nathan Road, Kow-  
loon from London.  
Lesley, Mackay, Urban Council  
from Oxford.  
Harold Graham, care Colonial  
Secretary from Downing.  
Telegraphist K. Pearson PJX  
141181, Mess 28, c/o Admiralty  
from Wokingham.  
Sublieut. Dennis Hill, Naval Office  
from Newcastleontyne.  
Wheelwright, Hakone Maru from  
Newport.  
Tomas, Peninsula Hotel from  
Manila.  
Mr. Charles Sheppard Peninsula  
Hotel from Providence.  
Doris Drake, American Consulate  
from Manila.  
Lieut. A. B. Palmer, care R. N.  
Officer from Shanghai.  
Linsan, c/o Sworn Measurer  
from Canton.  
Augusta Silva, 8 Hillwood Road,  
Kowloon from Canton.  
Robert Murphy, American Council  
from Kynmasset.

## FOREIGN MAILS

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, 2nd JANUARY, 1940, 9.30 A.M.

Small Packet Post to all countries is suspended.

### BROADCAST RECEIVING LICENCES

Holders of licences are reminded that if it is desired to con-  
tinue to retain possession of the apparatus after the date of expira-  
tion of the licence a renewal must be effected without delay.

New Licences will be available at the Government Radio Office,  
G.P.O. Building, First Floor, on ordinary business days, and will  
be issued against the receipt of a remittance of \$12.00, between  
the hours of 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. except on Saturdays when licences  
will be issued between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m.

Applications may be made:—

- (a) personally,
- (b) by messenger,
- (c) by post.

It is essential under (c), and preferable under (a) and (b) that  
applications should be accompanied by crossed Cheque payable to  
Hong Kong Government. The new licence will then be sent by post  
or messenger as soon as it is ready. Where actual cash is tendered,  
a new licence should be received in exchange before leaving the  
Licensing Office.

In the case of renewal the old licence should be returned with  
the application.

### INWARD MAILS

From	Due
Shanghai	1st Jan.
Amoy	2nd Jan.
Canton	2nd Jan.
Japan and Shanghai	2nd Jan.
Shanghai	2nd Jan.
Shanghai	3rd Jan.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"— London date, 23rd December, ...	3rd Jan.
Air Mail by "Air France Direct Service"—Paris date 27th December, ...	3rd Jan.
U. S. A. & Manila (San Francisco date, 9th Decem- ber 1939), ...	3rd Jan.
Japan	3rd Jan.
Java and Manila	3rd Jan.
Straits and Manila	3rd Jan.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service" London date, 27th Dec. ...	4th Jan.
Canada, U.S.A. Japan and Shanghai — (Vancouver B. C. date 18th December), ...	4th Jan.
Japan and Shanghai	4th Jan.
Shanghai	4th Jan.
Air Mail by "Pan American Air-ways Direct Ser- vice"—San Francisco date, 28th December.	5th Jan.
Formosa and Swatow	5th Jan.
Shanghai	5th Jan.
Calcutta and Straits	5th Jan.
U. S. A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco date, 15th December 1939), ...	5th Jan.
Straits and Saigon	5th Jan.
Japan	6th Jan.
Rabaul and Manila	6th Jan.
Haiphong	6th Jan.
Haiphong	7th Jan.
Europe via Suez and Straits (London date, 18th November), ...	7th Jan.
Shanghai	8th Jan.
Straits	8th Jan.
Tientsin	10th Jan.
Sandakan	13th Jan.

### OUTWARD MAILS

Registered and Parcel Mail are closed 15 minutes earlier  
than the time given below unless otherwise stated, and where  
mails are advertised to close at or before 9 a.m. registered and  
parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m. on the previous day. When  
mails are advertised to close after 5 p.m. Registered and  
Parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m.

For	Date and Time
<b>MONDAY</b>	<b>Mon. Jan., 1st</b>
Saigon	10.00 AM
Shanghai	10.00 AM
<b>TUESDAY</b>	<b>Tue. 2nd</b>
Manila, Makassar and Sourabaya	8.30 AM
Shanghai	9.30 AM
Dairen	9.30 AM
	<b>K.P.O.</b>
Reg.	5.00 PM
Ord.	5.30 PM
	<b>G.P.O.</b>
Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service" —due London, 10th January, ...	Reg. 5.00 PM
	Ord. 7.00 PM
	<b>K.P.O.</b>
Reg.	5.00 PM
Ord.	5.30 PM
	<b>G.P.O.</b>
Air Mail for Malaya, Java and Australia by "Im- perial Airways Direct Service"—due Sydney, 8th January, ...	Reg. 5.00 PM
	Ord. 7.00 PM
Canton	7.00 PM
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>Wed. 3rd</b>
Canton	7.15 AM
Shanghai	8.30 AM
	<b>G.P.O. &amp; K.P.O.</b>
Straits, Ceylon, India, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt, Malta and Europe via Suez and London Parcels — due London, 10th February.	Reg. 12.45 PM
Amoy	Ord. 1.30 PM
	<b>K.P.O.</b>
Reg.	5.00 PM
Ord.	5.30 PM
	<b>G.P.O.</b>
Airmail for Indo-China, Iran, and France (Paris and Northern Provinces only) by the "Air France Airways Direct Service"—due Paris 11th January, ...	Reg. 5.00 PM
	Ord. 7.00 PM
Straits	7.00 PM
<b>THURSDAY</b>	<b>Thu. 4th</b>
Sandakan	8.30 AM
Haiphong	1.00 PM
Shanghai and parcels only for Tientsin	2.30 PM
Saigon, Bangkok, Mauritius, Reunion, Madagascar, Lourenco-Marques and South Africa via Durban	2.30 PM
Manila	2.30 PM
Amoy	7.00 PM
<b>FRIDAY</b>	<b>Fri. 5th</b>
Canton	10.30 AM
Fort Bayard and Parcels only for Rangoon	10.30 AM
Fort Bayard and Holhow	1.30 PM
Shanghai	2.20 PM
Parcels only for Tientsin	2.30 PM
Manila	7.00 PM

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